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## WHITEAWAY'S

# "Crisis Week-End" Passes, But Britain's Defenders Still on Alert NEUTRALS BELIEVE THREAT OF INVASION DECREASING DAILY

## HEAVY FOG OVER CHANNEL FAVOURS NAZIS BUT R.A.F. BLASTS BARGE ASSEMBLY

Special to the "Telegraph"

THE BRITISH CABINET still reckons strongly with the threat of immediate invasion, an influential member of the Government told "United Press" last night.

But the failure of "crisis week-end" to produce anything extraordinary has strengthened the feeling of neutral experts that the threat of invasion is decreasing each day.

Whether the delay is due to conflict within the German High Command, or conflict between Hitler and the High Command, or the Luftwaffe's inability to break the Royal Air Force and the latter's own murderous pounding of invasion bases is not clear.

### FULLY PREPARED

If the invasion does come, Britain is fully prepared.

A Cabinet member said last night: "We continue to believe it might come at any hour."

"But never have we been more confident in our ability to crush it."

All along Britain's shores, hundreds of thousands of look-outs are on the qui vive, ready to raise the alarm the moment anything untoward happens.

### FOG OVER CHANNEL

Every available unit of the Royal Navy is patrolling the invasion area. Late yesterday afternoon a very dense fog descended on the Channel area, reducing visibility to about 100 feet, and the aerial ceiling to zero.

The wind is abating.

Meanwhile the Germans have ordered the entire southern and western coast of Norway closed, presumably to conceal invasion preparations.

### Shattering Attacks By Our Bombers

## Berlin Airport Hit & Damaged By R.A.F.

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).—Describing the attack on Berlin in the early hours of this morning, the Air Ministry news service states that the German capital was visited by a harassing force which bombed military objectives to the north-west of the city, the Tempelhof Airport and power stations which had been damaged in previous raids.

The raiders were met with anti-aircraft fire but none of the aircraft was hit.

Thunderstorms over the city caused the engine of one bomber attacking the Tempelhof Airport to cut out as the crew were approaching the target.

### Unloaded Bombs

Continuing his run, the pilot unloaded his bombs on the aerodrome and flying at 5,000 feet succeeded in maintaining this height on only one engine for 45 minutes until the second engine picked up.

Invasion bases on the Dutch, Belgian and French coast were again the chief objectives on Sunday night's raids.

### Antwerp Again

During the night the heaviest attacks were directed against the docks at Antwerp (as on the night before), where great fleets of barges and many ships had been accumulated during recent weeks.

The raid began at 10.30 p.m. G.M.T. and was kept up for nearly three hours.

Favoured by bright moonlight in the early stages of the attack, the bombers despite fierce opposition from the ground defences got through to their objectives and played havoc.

Barges were struck, set ablaze, and exploded in flashes of flame which lit up the whole docks.

### Mass of Flames

By 12.30 a.m. one of the main wharves was a mass of flames.

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## CONVOYS RAIDED German Shipping Gets Bad Time

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).

Fuller details of Air Force attacks are given by the Air Ministry news service.

The statement says that the German supply ship sunk at anchor at Ijmuiden was a 5,000-ton vessel.

As regards the attacks on German convoys and shipping concentrations on the Channel coast, the statement says the first convoy was attacked off

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## SNOBBERY MADE TRIP TO AUSTRALIA "UNPLEASANT"

—Sydney Report

Snobbery aboard one of the evacuee ships en route to Australia from Hongkong made life unpleasant for passengers aboard, according to the Sydney "Daily Telegraph."

Efforts were made by a section of the passengers to obtain concessions which they did not wish to have granted to the other

All persons over the age of 15 years are required to carry passes before leaving or entering the area.

German guns on the French coast re-commenced shelling the Dover area at 11 a.m.

The bombardment opened with salvos as the city's main streets were crowded with morning shoppers, who rushed to the shelters.

Four salvos were fired within ten minutes. Eleven persons were injured.

### Concentrations Blasted

The Royal Air Force, despite poor visibility and adverse flying conditions, continued to blast the Nazi barge concentrations over a wide area.

Heavy attacks were made yesterday on concentrations of war supplies, barges, shipping, dock yards and ports at Hamburg, Wilhelmshaven, Antwerp, Flushing, Ostend, Dunkirk, Calais and Boulogne.

Direct hits were scored on a German warship at Terschelling and a military tanker and supply ship in the Elbe Estuary were severely damaged.

Aircraft of the Coastal Command also sank an enemy ship off Ijmuiden.

German convoys on the Netherlands coast were also attacked, two supply ships being sunk.

Attacks were also made on the shipping and docks at Le Havre, ships alongside the quays and the quays themselves being repeatedly hit.

(United Press and Domei messages.)

### Roosevelt Signs Conscription Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).—President Roosevelt at a brief ceremony at the White House signed the Burke-Wadsworth Conscription Bill whereby some 16,500,000 men between the ages of 21 and 35 become liable to military service.

## Berlin Says Goering Was In London Raid

Five Warnings Yesterday

Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, Sept. 16 (UP).—Goering himself is said in authoritative quarters in Berlin to have piloted a Junkers 88 type of bomber over London on Sunday night.

### Communiques

## R.A.F. IN ACTION

Intensive Raids

Official communiques issued last night included the following:

### LONDON: British Bombers Active

The R.A.F. last night bombed military objectives in Berlin.

Further heavy attacks were made on concentrations of war supplies, barges, and shipping at dockyards alongside the quays and the quays themselves being repeatedly hit.

Other forces of R.A.F. bombers attacked distribution centres at Hamm, Osnabruck, Soest and Krefeld. godyards at Hamburg and railway junctions at Rheine were also bombed.

### Warship Hit

A direct hit was made on an enemy warship off Terschelling, while an oil tanker and a supply ship in the Elbe estuary were severely damaged.

Coastal Command aircraft sank an enemy supply ship off Ijmuiden.

Convoys off the Dutch coast were also attacked. Two supply ships were sunk and others severely damaged.

### AIR MINISTRY: Raid Casualties Slight

Reports hitherto received show that the number of

Reports say he was escorted by two Messerschmitt destroyer machines.

Goering is said to have declared after his return to headquarters in a small village in Normandy that he was most impressed by the effect of the bombing raids on London.

### Monday's Raid

A London message, referring to Monday's raid on Britain, says there was no sign of activity in the London area three hours after the fourth raid warning, except the infrequent bark of anti-aircraft guns in the distance.

Hundreds of thousands of people, tired of waiting in the shelters, began streaming homewards, the streets resembling the normal rush hour.

The majority of buses were running packed to capacity and road traffic was quite normal.

During the early part of the raid, three bombs exploded in the London

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## LATEST

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## FRENCH DOWN R.A.F. PLANE

VICHY, Sept. 16 (UP).

It is officially announced that a French fighting plane, patrolling near Casablanca, shot down a British seaplane in flames when the latter fired a volley of shots at the French craft.

The British crew of three were saved by a French naval launch.

British planes recently flew over Morocco dropping tracts inviting the French to join the De Gaulle movement.

## SPAIN'S MISSION

Gentle Hint By Senor Suner

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).

"Spain's position at present is one of non-belligerency but that must not be interpreted as disinterestedness," said Senor Suner, the Spanish Minister of the Interior, in an interview with the "Voelksischer Beobachter," says the Berlin official news agency.

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### Cholera

## New Year Advanced

Kowloon City Wards Off Evil Spirits

For the purpose of driving away the evil spirits which they believed have descended upon them, the villagers of Kowloon City, which so far has suffered the greatest number of cholera cases, celebrated Chinese New Year yesterday—about four months in advance of the actual date.

The advancement was decided upon following a conference between the village elders and temple priests and after a consultation by the latter with the gods and goddesses who decreed that the year was a bad one—hence the necessity of beginning a new year.

This is the second occasion that the Chinese New Year has been celebrated in advance, the occasion having been observed by the inhabitants of Salkung on September 2.

## Possible Australian-U.S. Defence Pact

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, had a lengthy conference to-day with Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, and Mr. R. G. Casey, the Australian Minister, on matters which were stated later to be particularly concerned with Australia.

The conference is believed to have dealt largely with Japan's moves in French Indo-China and the possible implications for Australia.

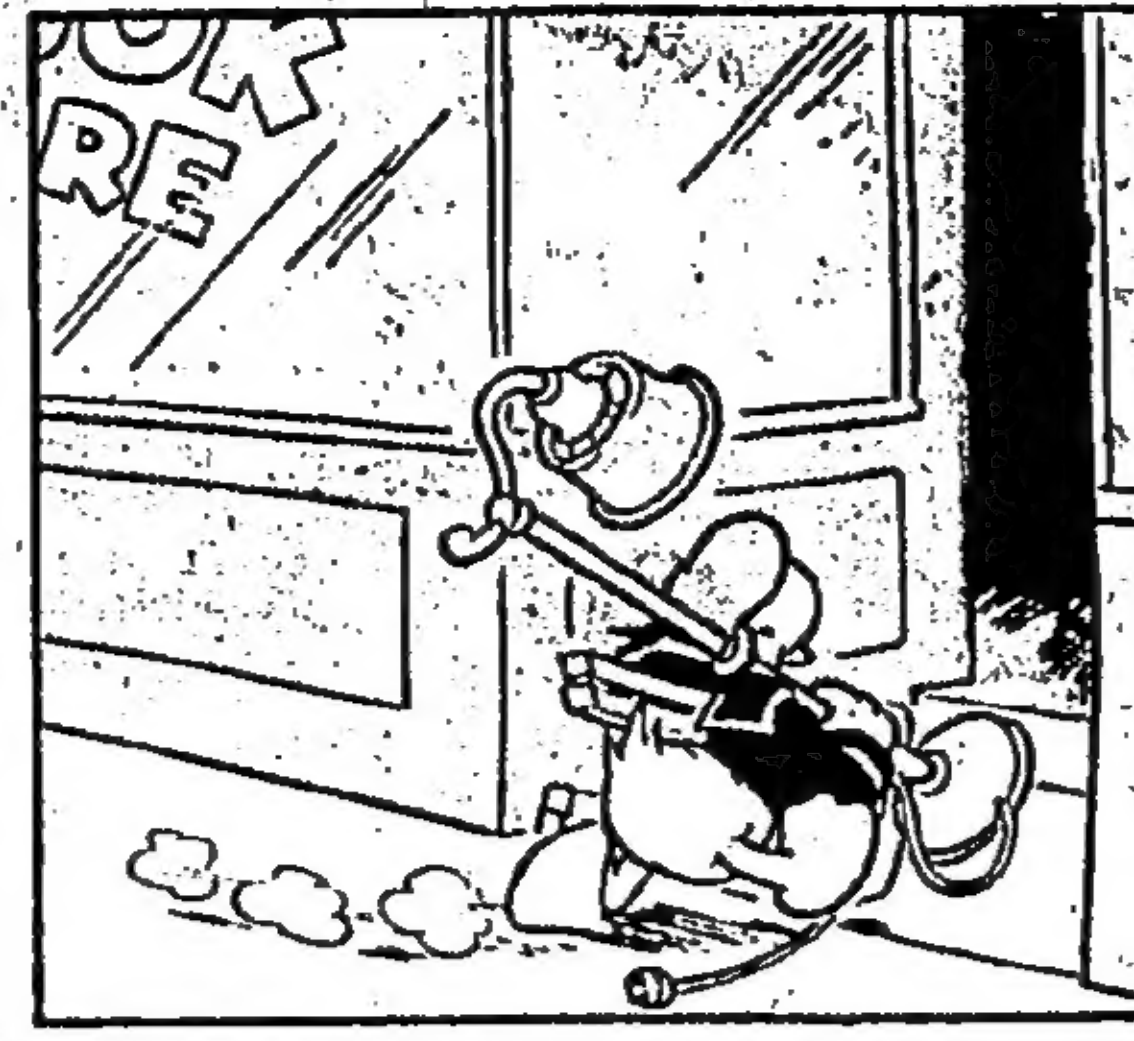
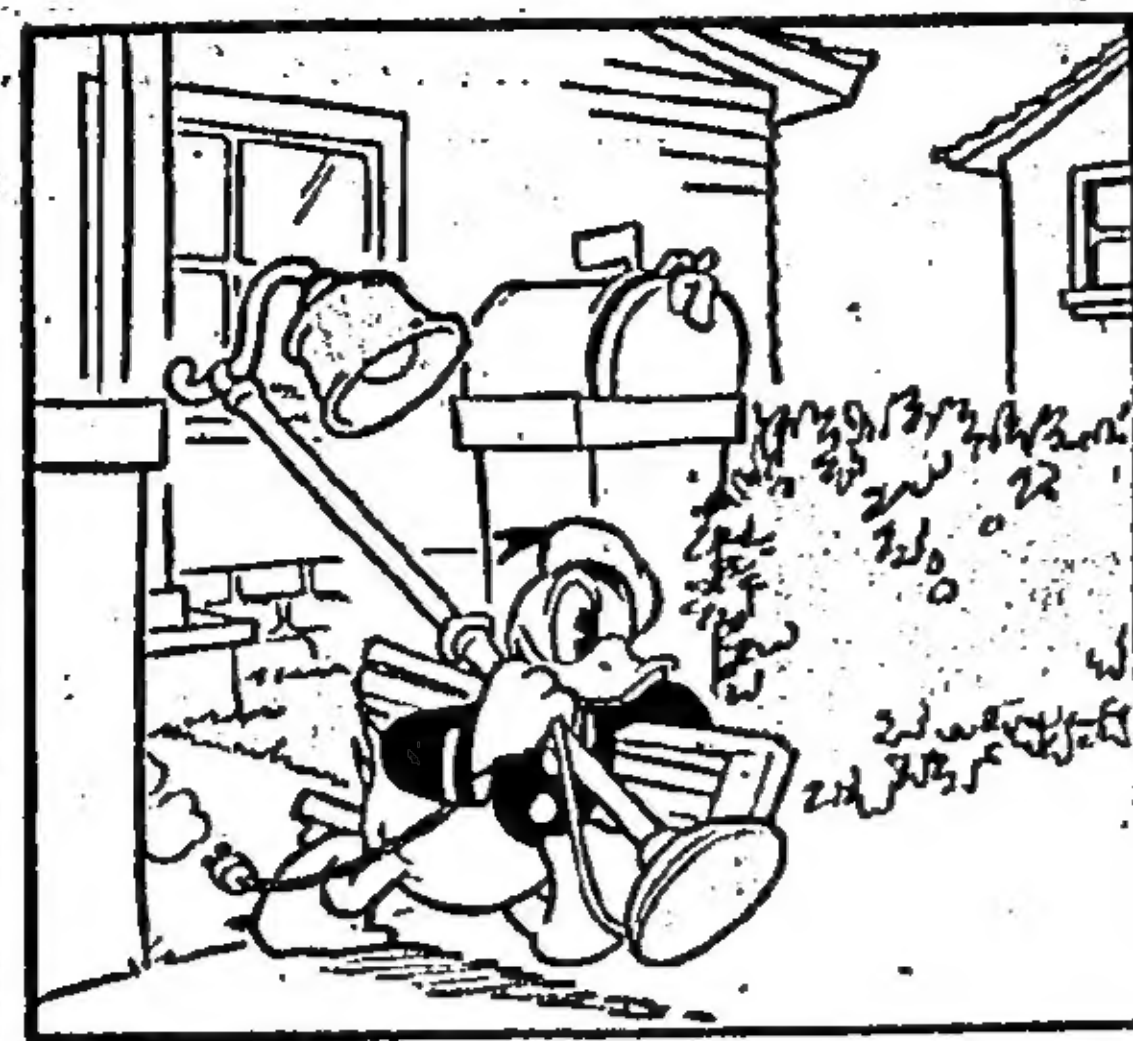
There has been speculation that the United States and Australia might form a defence agreement similar to that recently concluded with Canada.







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## MAGAZINE PAGE

## Child's Guide To World Politics

by  
**PAUL HOLT**

Paul Holt, almost as bewildered as most politicians by the sudden flux of world diplomacy, has written to his son at school, anticipating many awkward questions in the approaching holidays as follows:

DEAR MICHAEL,

Since France found they couldn't fight any more, this war has left the battlefield again and, just now, is being fought by tight-lipped, school-masterish diplomats in book-lined studies. It's a war of wangles again. But be sure that, whatever these long-nosed gents fix up to-day, it's going to mean that plenty of people are going to get hurt to-morrow.

It's no good looking at maps any more. They don't make sense. I think the best way to tackle it is to go back to those old kid primers. Like this—

**O STANDS** for the Nazi Octopus. Hitler's war machine is an octopus with eight tentacles (that's why it's called an octopus—*okto*, eight; *pus*, a foot Greek). Seven of those feet are planted on Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Holland, Norway, Belgium and France. He doesn't let go. He has only one foot left. Guess where he's going to try to put it. Right, my son. And guess why he's hesitat-

ing. Because he's only got one foot left.

**B STANDS** for the Bridegroom, Uncle Sam. He'd make an ideal match for any girl in the world. And he's going to the altar, don't you worry about that.

But before he gets round to Mendelssohn he's got some bachelor debts to pay. More debts than ready cash, in fact.

He's got to see that the Philippines, for which he is responsible until 1946, are O.K. That means the Japanese, of course. And Mexico, where the Nazis and the Communists have got together to scare the fellows in charge. And South America, particularly Brazil, where the Nazis could start something to-morrow for five pence.

It wouldn't do if any of those gents turned up to the wedding clutching a bill in hand. And, besides, there's the best man to be picked. There's an old friend, Roosevelt, and a new friend, Wendell Willkie.

It isn't exactly going to be a shot-gun wedding, but a fellow likes to get things fixed first, if you get me.

**T STANDS** for the Chinese Tortoise. You won't remember the days when Chiang Kai-shek was world war lord No. 1. For three years we haven't been hearing much of him, but all of a sudden he's become the most important man in the world again.

All this time he's been playing the old tortoise and hare game with the Japanese invaders. He's retreated a thousand miles, just like the Russians did before Napoleon

128 years ago, and he's sitting pat in Chungking.

The Japanese generals are tired of their war. But the Japanese admirals are rarin' to go. What they'd like to do would be to leave the Chinese Tortoise tucked in his shell and sail the seas to the south for easier pickings. Look at the map.

**G STANDS** for the Russian Garbo. She wants to be alone. Every time she makes another little grab in the West it's like putting another line of bricks along the top of her wall so that nobody can peek over. One brick was Finland, another was Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania. Another is Rumania's eastern province Bessarabia, and Bukovina to the north.

Don't be surprised if Garbo picks up a few more bricks. A fair share of the Dardanelles wouldn't hurt Turkey, and I don't suppose it would worry us. But there'll come a time when the Russian Garbo doesn't want to be alone any more. She won't want to be alone to fight Hitler.

You could go on with the alphabet up to twenty-six, easy, but I think that's enough for to-day. Except, of course, for one more letter.

**L STANDS** for the British Lion. He's wounded and he's lying up in the long grass, waiting for his enemy to come in after him. All you can see is the tip of his tail flapping lazily to and fro. He's angry. And you know that a lion is never so dangerous as when he's wounded and lying up, waiting for his enemy.

Hope your exams go well.

## The 51st.

ASK any schoolboy whose history lessons have reached the Four Years' War, 1914-18, what division of the British Army was always in the thick of the fighting. He will tell you it was the Glorious 51st—the Highland Division.

The Germans called them "the Ladies from Hell" because of their kilt. They were in the battle of Loos. They helped to smash the Hindenburg Line in 1918. Their most memorable action was their break through at Villerscourt in May 1917.

The division, made up of famous regiments—the Black Watch, the Gordon Highlanders, the Seaforth and Argylls, and the Camerons, with artillerymen, engineers and now motorised and tank units, divided into three brigades—are in the news again.

Recently official documents were issued by the War Office to add a new chapter of matchless courage but tragic disaster to their history. It is the story of how they were decimated in the retreat of the B.E.F. in the present war. It is a fearful account of confused orders from the French Command, lack of adequate weapons, broken French support. But it is also the record of soldiers who against all the odds, hopelessly outnumbered, remained at the end the pride of Scotland.

**THEY** took over from the French the River Bresle line. They reduced German bridge-heads south of the Somme, but the armoured units were so badly damaged that they were left without tanks.

Then the Highlanders were given a line of eighteen miles to hold from Erondelle to the sea. The French IX Corps, a force of several thousand men, had promised to straighten out the enemy line in front of them before handing over. They attacked twice in front of Abbeville. They failed both times.

On June 4 the French attacked again in the centre, with the Scots on their flanks—without tanks. The French tanks were annihilated, their following infantrymen were mown down by machine-gun fire.

On their east side the Camerons ran into an enemy who was also attacking. No quarter was given by either side—says an official document. The casualties were appallingly heavy.

On the opposite side the Seaforths went on under furious machine-gun and mortar fire, and completed their task—the capture of a wood. So did the Gordons, who cleared out the Grand Bois at Cambrai, on the left of the French, whose infantrymen fought with great bravery.

The division had to retreat ten miles in the next two days across the River Bresle.

The Argylls, trying to hold an eight-mile front with rifles against Tommy-guns, suffered terribly.

The remnants of one company of Argylls were surrounded by the enemy for two days. Somehow—one can only guess at their desperate gallantry—they fought their way through the German lines to rejoin their battalion.

On June 7 the French line was broken again and the road left open to Rouen, where the Scottish line, still intact had to fall back. Outside the steeped village church at Arques, British naval and army officers shouted to each other above the noise of the dive-bombs and the guns: "Which way shall it be?" Dieppe, St. Valery-en-Caux, Havre?

It was the afternoon of June 9. For ten days the Scots had battled their way to the sea. Now they were almost in sight of the English Channel, those that were left.

But their line stayed intact. They were within reach of the sea at last. They could go with honour. The officers outside the church made up their minds—Havre, where the Navy would evacuate the Highland Division and the French who remained with them.

Grin-tipped Scots cheered. A brigade group, which means some hundreds of men—they called it the Ark Force—set off to cover the main withdrawal.

But the motorised Germans were advancing from Rouen faster than any men could march towards the port.

One hope remained—St. Valery. A staff officer fought his way alone in a car through the German hell-fire to tell the Ark Force that the 162nd and 163rd Brigades had made for St. Valery. The rest were to go on to Havre. The Ark Force must hold out.

It did—through four days of constant bombing and cruelly sustained gunfire till the last soldier had been taken off by the Navy. The survivors of the Ark Force escaped too.

The two lost 162nd and 163rd Brigades in the darkness dragged their swollen feet towards St. Valery. A fan-shaped line had been thrown around the little town to keep the enemy off. The Gordons and the Black Watch, unbroken, fought in a desperate ring, a few hundred men against thousands. But the bridge-head broke.

The French units in their sector gave way. The Germans took the town, surrounded the Highlanders, and covered every embarkation point with their guns.

At 3 a.m. on June 12 the French capitulated. Still the Highlanders would not give in. They took up new positions to try to recapture the town or find boats to take them off when darkness came again. Had they only known it, the naval ships were waiting at Veuille les Rots, only four miles away, and taking off other British troops.

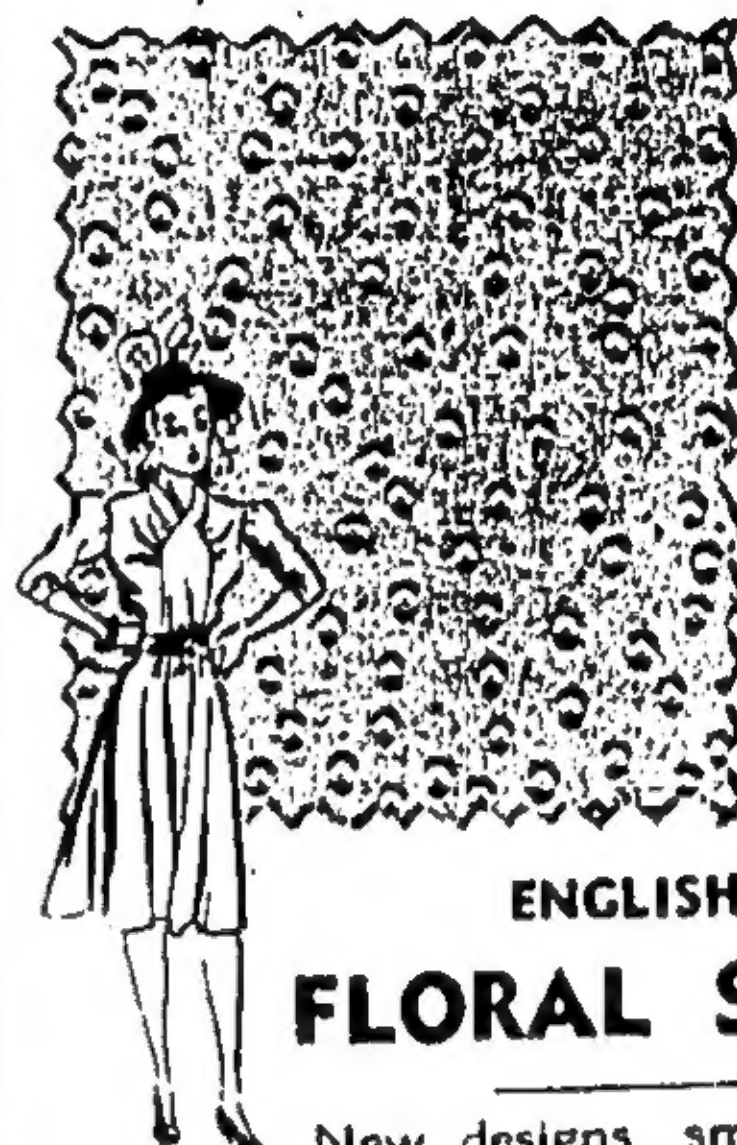
At length their last shot was fired. Their rifles were useless.

**SCOTLAND'S** shield was broken, as Scott wrote of another fatal battle, and nearly 5,000 men, with fifty-seven-year-old Major-General V. M. Fortune, a D.S.O. of the last war, at their head and two brigadiers fell into the enemy's hands.

But not their guns and their vehicles. General Fortune's last order was that they should be destroyed. They were.

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ONE of the young waiters of the Cafe de la Paix told me on the day I left Paris that he had learned to count up to twenty in German.

It is a good thing he has, for most of his customers are German army men wearing grey-green, air force men with lighter grey, and navy men in dark blue. In the Cafe de la Paix it is now "Ein Bier," and not "Un deml," and "Noch ein Bier," instead of "Encore un deml."

Germans crowd the cafe terraces, monopolise restaurants like Maxim's, Fouquet's, Lorie and Frontier, and take most of the room on the pavements.

They run Paris. They have almost every truck and car, and most motor-cycles and bicycles. They have most of the money—not real German marks, but paper notes issued on the Helichkredit-kasse, which have no value even in Germany but only in occupied territories.

Germans fill the shops to buy presents to send home, which they could not afford to buy at home, even if the goods were available there. They like it in Paris.

Those Nazi troops love to parade down the Champs-Elysees, around the Arc de Triomphe every day soon after noon. The French take this with astonishing dignity, as also do the 600 British citizens who were trapped in the city for lack of transportation when the French Government fled south.

I said the Germans run Paris. They do so in a thousand ways. They control the Press from their headquarters in the Paris-Soir building, where are written or approved daily editorials and articles which are re-writing modern

## PARIS IS LEARNING A WORD—'VERBOTEN'

by  
**WALTER KERR**

New York Herald-Tribune Reporter, who has been expelled by the Germans from France.

French history, making it conform with the Nazi viewpoint. Let there be no mistake about the power of this control.

**THE** same kind of control is felt in other ways. Thousands of stores, shops, cafes and restaurants closed in the days before the German army marched in. Then the Germans ruled that none should reopen without their permission. Some tried it and were promptly closed.

This, despite the fact that the Germans in the Press and on the radio, keep saying how necessary it is for men to go back to work. They have forced many places to reopen through threats of confiscation and granted permission to being a long time before great factories like Renault and Citroen will be in full operation again. The Germans are more interested in sending the people back to the land.

Thousands of Frenchmen are out of work or earning less money than ever before. Thousands are living on credit at their grocery shops. Few can pay their rents.

This situation could be cleared up in a short time if the occupying army cared to work on it. All Parisians need is transportation to bring food from farms to the markets, permission to go to their homes in the provinces and the means of getting there, and work.

But the army is much more interested in military affairs, and German civilian officials are more interested in harnessing French economic life to their own needs rather than to the needs of the French people.

**PERHAPS** inevitable among all this is the spread of the German language. The menus in many restaurants are printed both in French and German, although

there is such little choice that not many words are used.

Franco-German dictionaries are sold in stores and at street corners. German signs are posted, such as the one before the Hotel Crillon, saying "Parken und diegen Platz verboten"—"Parking in this square forbidden." That one word is sinking in—"verboten."

A room now costs from ten francs a day in a small Left Bank hotel to twenty francs daily in a luxury hotel such as the Ritz. At the German-imposed rate of twenty francs to the mark, this means that German officers pay less than two shillings a day at the Ritz, Crillon, Meurice, George the Fifth, and many others. Frenchmen, of course, pay the usual fee.

The German army has taken over great buildings such as the Chamber of Deputies, "Quai d'Orsay, Ecole Militaire, Invalides, where Napoleon and Foch are buried. Many private flats are occupied. The swastika flies everywhere. The French tricolour is forbidden.

On the streets are the grey cars of the army and air force, thousands of them recently repainted after the seizure of the Netherlands, Belgium and France. Soldiers drive them at high speed. French police, still on duty, watch them, pass helplessly.







## GANDHI'S DECISION

### Leaves Way Open For Negotiation

SIMLA, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Gandhi's address to the All-India Congress Committee in Bombay yesterday is interpreted here as indicating that the immediate question of relations between Congress and the Government of India is not regarded by Gandhi as having been determined with any finality.

The fact that he is prepared again to see the Viceroy suggests that he is willing to explore the position further.

#### Conciliatory Aspects

The resolution passed by the Congress Working Committee yesterday is recognised as possessing certain conciliatory aspects while Gandhi's definite assertion that there is no question of mass civil disobedience has created considerable interest.

The decision of Congress to invest Gandhi with full powers will, it is felt in official quarters here, tend to obviate the possibility of any abrupt action by Congress that would lead to a complete break with the Government of India.

## SALVAGE TUG RANGER TO LEAVE FOR PHILIPPINE ISLANDS THIS WEEK

Launched by Mrs. A. E. Southland, wife of the American Consul-General at Hongkong, on August 15, the Ranger, a motor salvage tug built for the Luzon Stevedoring Co., of Manila, will probably leave on its maiden voyage to the Philippine Islands about the end of the week.

Mr. Chester Judah, master mariner, arrived with a crew for the tug on the President Taft on Sunday. He will be assisted on the voyage by Mr. Henry Pile, as chief engineer.

The tug, built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, is powered with twin diesel engines of 450 h.p. each. She was built to Lloyd's specifications under the supervision of Mr. C. S. Morrison. Her speed is about 11 knots. Her dimensions are length 135 feet, breadth 32 feet and draft 14 feet.

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## CONVOYS RAIDED

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The Dutch coast by a Hudson aircraft which dived on the largest ship and sank it with bombs. Then the Hudson pilot machine-gunned an armed trawler and thoroughly machine-gunned an E-boat which was escorting the convoy.

**One Direct Hit**  
The second German ship was stationary off the Dutch coast when it was attacked by another patrolling Hudson at dawn to-day. The pilot dived on one ship in semi-darkness and let go three bombs, one of which at least struck home, for the Hudson was peppered with splinters from the ship which is believed to have sunk. Last night's attacks on concentrations of German vessels at Channel ports were made by waves of Blenheims. Two ships were damaged when the Blenheims attacked a convoy off Sangatte near Calais but the main attack was reserved for Le Havre where the pilots of the first wave of Blenheims saw four large ships moored alongside the deep-water quay.

#### Salvoes of Bombs

Repeated salvoes of bombs struck squarely on the quay and there were fires when the Blenheims flew away. Pilots in the second wave made an attack in bright moonlight which clearly outlined the quays beside which were dark shadows. Amid intense anti-aircraft fire, the Blenheims dived over the harbour and bombed systematically the ships and boats moored in the pier and quays.

Damaged ships, shattered masonry and store-houses were the results of the bombing.

## SPAIN'S MISSION

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He continued: Spain has been mission in the new order in Europe and when the right moment comes the leaders in Spain will give the order for action.

As regards the Spanish Legion, he said: Spain has no intention of sending any of the Legion to fight in Europe and when the right moment comes the leaders in Spain will give the order for action.

#### Natural Policy

Earlier in the interview, Sen. Sana said he was not in favour of a sign that Spain was remaining true to her natural policy.

"We have wanted off those who formerly attempted to be our master, and now we are free. In that we are not alone in Europe, and that Europe which we have decided to be the aim of our policy cannot be realised by us alone, it demands the harmony of other nations."

Nobody need be surprised that in an hour when we seek associates we turn to those who were victims of the same injustices as we."

## R.A.F. IN ACTION

FROM PAGE ONE

casualties during last night's attacks on London was a little greater than on recent nights but much less than in the first attacks on the capital.

Outside London, casualties were very few but some were fatal. It is now known that two enemy bombers were shot down by our fighters during the night.

There has been little enemy activity during the day. About 8 a.m. a force of enemy aircraft crossed the coast of Kent in cloudy conditions but was turned back by A.A. fire without encountering our fighters.

Later in the day, enemy aircraft singly or in small numbers crossed the coast at several points. A few bombs were dropped on various parts of the country, but damage is reported to be slight and the number of casualties small.

## CAIRO: Enemy Harassed From Air

Although the main enemy forces appear to be consolidating their position round Sallum, strong elements of armoured fighting vehicles are now in contact with our advanced troops about Bugbug.

Throughout yesterday the enemy was successfully harassed by the R.A.F. and artillery fire from our mobile guns.

## SNOBBERY TRIP

FROM PAGE ONE

pressed astonishment that privates and officers of the Australian Army mixed freely.

The Sydney "Sun" reports that the trip down to Australia became a race with time, with many bets laid whether the ship's passenger list of 910 would increase to 911. A baby was born a few hours after the arrival in Sydney.

Officers praised the behaviour of the evacuees, said the "Sun." "But we've a few grey hairs to show for the trip," one officer said.

The most annoyed people in Sydney now, says the Social Editor of the "Sun," are women evacuees from Hongkong, who relying on some "inside information" about Australia, rushed around buying as many pairs of stockings as they could before they could buy nothing under a guinea a pair in Australia.

## Negro Aviator Wants to Duel with Goering

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (UP).—Field Marshal Goering has accepted a challenge to an air duel at 10,000 feet over the English Channel, according to Hubert Fauntleroy Julian.

The negro aviator asserts that the duel will occur within thirty days.

"I'm going to machine-gun that lousy creature out of this life," the Black Eagle declared. "I have a life to give and I will give it gladly." Julian said he could challenge Goering when he read Hitler's "Mein Kampf" in which he said the Fuehrer insulted the Negro race as "half apes and baboons and nitwits." Julian's exploits include an attempted non-stop flight from New York to Europe which ended in East River and a flight in which he crashed Halle Selassie's private plane. This occurred when Colonel Julian was the sole member of the Ethiopian Air Force.

The Colonel said his wife on Saturday answered a telephone call from Washington.

"This is the Military Attaché to the German Embassy," the caller said, according to Colonel Julian. "Tell that black swine his challenge has been accepted and that he must be on the spot as promised."

The Colonel said he intends to buy one of the two Messerschmitts which the British government has announced for sale.

"There is no question about the superiority of equipment," the Colonel explained.

## Four Raids On Chungking

### Heavy Damage

CHUNGKING, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Japanese aircraft subjected Chungking to four raids in four hours today with two alarms. The first of which was between 8:03 a.m. and 10 a.m. and the second between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

There were three raids during the second alarm.

A squadron of nine Japanese bombers raided the western suburbs of Chungking at 9:15 a.m., demolishing the suburban office of the Central Bank.

Three batches of nine bombers each raided Chungking about noon, bombing the western suburbs, the north bank, Chungking River and also the south bank of the Yangtze River.

### Changed Tactics

Changing their tactics, the Japanese instead of launching large-scale bombing attacks on Chungking and its number of aircraft just for the purpose of maintaining a continuous bombing of Chungking.

During the second alarm, the second group suddenly appeared over the city, dropping bombs on the north bank of the Chungking River.

There was no hint of engine failure the approach of the raiders, only the crash of the bomb explosion betrayed the presence of the raiders who had apparently switched off their engines and glided towards Chungking when some distance away from the city.

## Successful Financial Year

For Civil Service C.C.

THE YEARLY REPORT of the Civil Service Cricket Club which will be presented at the annual general meeting on September 26 at 8.30 p.m., states a profit of \$3,381 for the past year. This, it the Bar account, which, through a re-assessment of prices, shows a balance of \$3,540 on the right side.

Membership on July 31 was 103, which was a loss of eight over that of last year.

Though the ground, together with others in the Colony, suffered somewhat through the heavy rains that have fallen during the year, the premises, indoor and outdoor, are in a satisfactory state of repair.

Sports activities were enjoyable, but not too successful. In the Club finished runners-up in the first named, and won the second.

Club prize winners were:

1st XI—J. F. Richardson (batting) and N. B. Whitley (bowling).  
2nd XI—G. Arnold (batting) and A. Collyer (bowling).

Handicap—J. A. Hendall, runner-up L. N. Rakusen.  
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Singles 11 up—J. A. Collyer, runner-up W. J. Burdell.

Doubles 11 up—H. E. Strange and M. N. Rakusen, runners-up A. E. Shepherd and F. Hendall.

Championship—F. Asafuroff, runner-up J. Skinner.  
Singles 11 up—W. J. Skinner, runner-up J. Asafuroff.

Doubles 11 up—J. A. Hendall and F. Hendall.  
Mixed Doubles—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Collyer, runners-up, C. Lucas and Mrs. W. J. Skinner.

## SOVIET-RUSSIA AND RUMANIA

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—The Rumanian Government has prohibited flying over territory bordering the Russian frontier.

The prohibition is in force in case of deliberate violation of Rumanian territory, according to the German radio.

This statement is said by the German radio to have been contained in the Rumanian press on August 28.

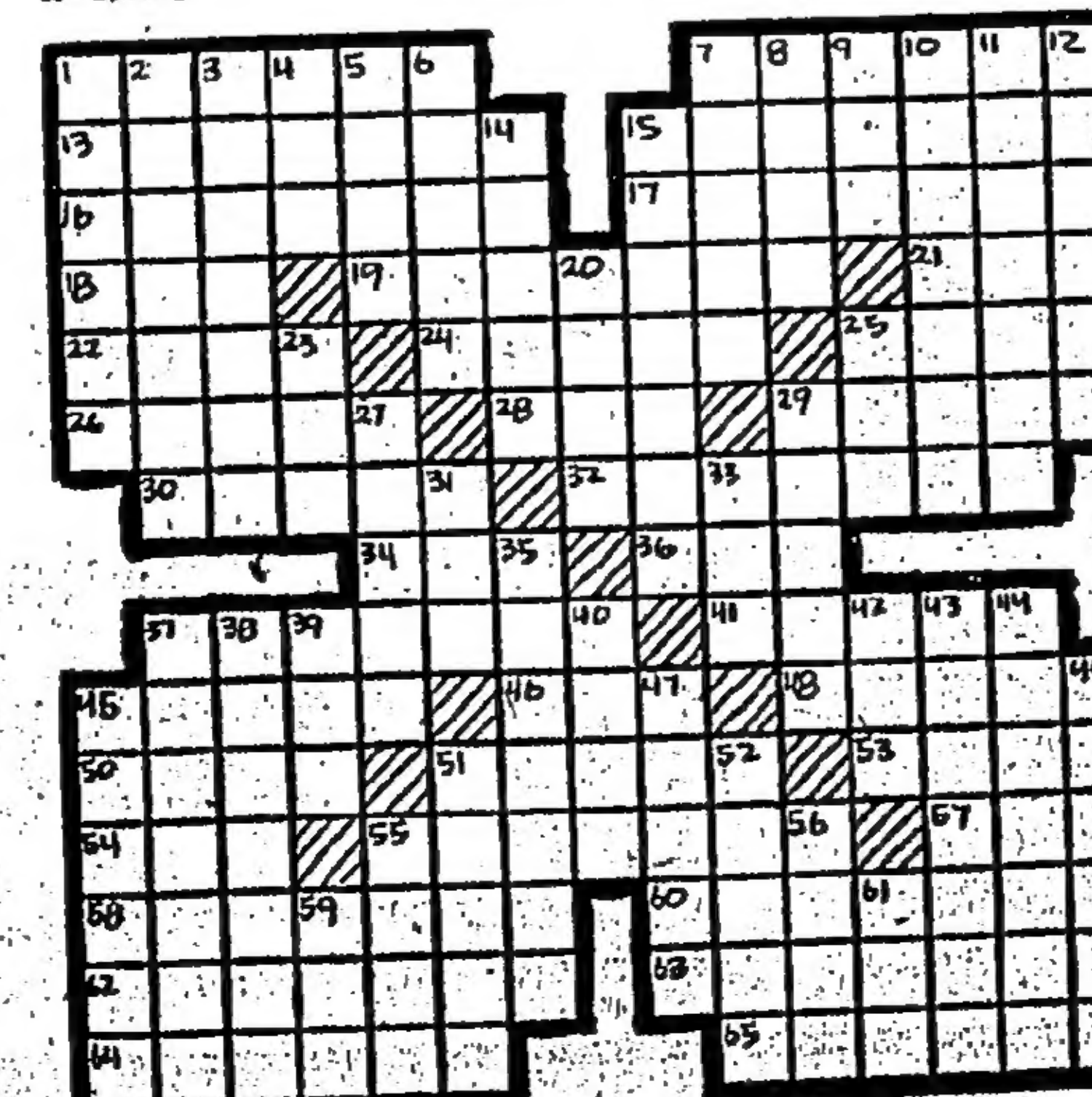
Several protests of the Rumanian Government is inspired by a desire to maintain friendly and neighbourly relations with the Soviet Union.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS  
1—Young hogs  
2—Compound of glycine and acetic acid  
3—Small fish  
4—Blasphemy  
5—Daughter of Alcock  
6—King of Crete  
7—One who exalts self  
8—One of cards  
9—Lie about  
10—Del the lo  
11—Kind of flower  
12—Referring to war  
13—Marine ship of paper  
14—Men indignation  
15—Instigate  
16—Disinfect  
17—Locally stop testimony  
18—Merry  
19—Important used in billiards  
20—Latter sunk in rear  
21—Point opposite to south  
22—Black bird  
23—Bark of certain tree  
24—Calified apple of  
25—Wooden wind  
26—Bundling of sticks  
27—Used for fuel  
28—Take out  
29—High bull  
30—Directed toward side  
31—Hooded  
32—Opinion

DOWN  
1—Small bottle  
2—Chief female character in play  
3—Bird that builds hanging nest (pl.)  
4—Brazilian macaw  
5—Flood tide and fall of water  
6—Shedding plant  
7—Crude cream of tartar  
8—Chicken house  
9—Small island  
10—Lacking in ambition  
11—Shedding plant  
12—Mistake stage presentation  
13—Unit of energy  
14—In addition  
15—Small horse  
16—Bent  
17—European tree  
18—Curved-like birds of South America  
19—String instrument  
20—Weapon for discharging missiles  
21—Enlarges in all directions  
22—Small drum  
23—Artificial port  
24—Treated by pipe connection  
25—Enclosure  
26—Father  
27—Do again  
28—Those who tell  
29—Revolving parts  
30—Jargon of army  
31—Prevents  
32—Species of vetch (pl.)  
33—Small parasite insect  
34—Smooth, unapertured  
35—Concomitant  
36—Animal hair  
37—System of rules



## BERLIN SAYS GOERING WAS...

FROM PAGE ONE

One raider, encircled by a terrific anti-aircraft barrage, was believed to have been hit.

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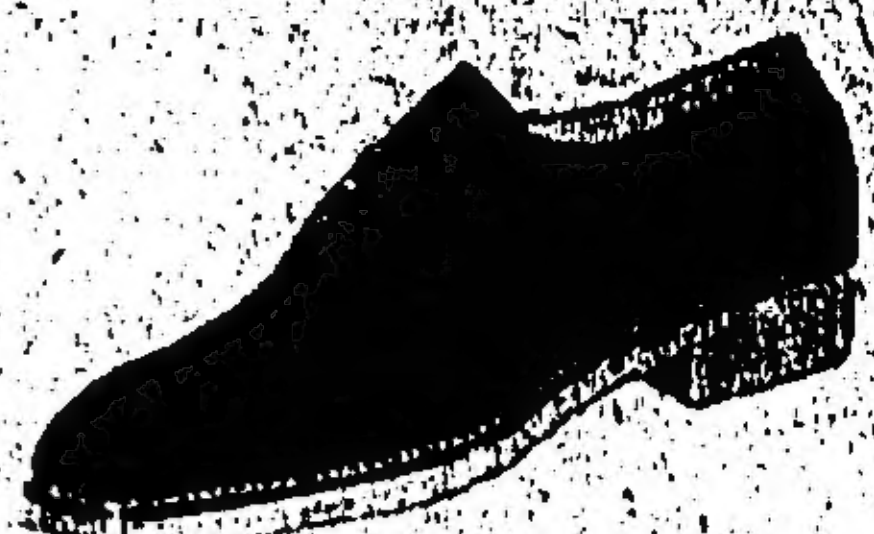
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# FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP HEATS TO-DAY

## Chan Chun-nam Threatens Half-mile Record

### Satisfactory Entries

(By "Ripple")

FIRST HEATS for the swimming championships of the Colony will be held this evening in the Victoria Recreation Club pool. These, however, will only be for three of the five championship events that are on the schedule, for in the women's 100 yards back-stroke and the women's 200 yards free-style relay there are five and three entries respectively, and as there are five lanes in the pool, heats should not be necessary.

Events this evening, therefore, will be the men's 220 yards free-style, the women's 50 yards free-style and the men's 100 yards breast-stroke.

The list of entries were published recently, and the first event—the 220 yards free-style—may see the first meeting between Chan Chun-nam and Ng Nin (depending on the draw), while the return of Mak Wai-ming to the championships should add a little more to the current interest.

Chan Chun-nam, while training on Sunday, was unfortunate to miscount the number of lengths in 500 yards. He was timed at 10 mins. 42 secs. for 550 yards, and if he had continued he would undoubtedly have broken W. Lawrence's record of 11 mins. 47 secs. Lawrence, incidentally, has only entered himself for the 100 yards back-stroke, but the gap that his absence may have caused will be more than filled by the anticipated competition between the Chinese swimmers. This is so strong, that, apart from the back-stroke, I doubt if Lawrence could be anywhere near confident of success.

To-day's programme will be (championship events):

Men's 220 yards free-style, Ng Nin, Charles Huang, Chan Chun-nam, Mak Wai-ming, Young Cheong-nam and Lau Tai-jing.  
Women's 50 yards free-style, Miss I. Lopes, Miss V. Churn, Miss D. Weir, Miss Ko Mui-ling, Miss J. Anderson, Miss P. Lo, Miss C. Ho and Mrs. Ho Wai-king.  
Men's 100 yards breast-stroke, Ng Nin, L. M. Remedios, Fort Chant-yin, Enrique Chaine, Ho Poon-kun and Kung Sau-shek.

THESE may well be regarded as a preview of the championships proper. Charles Huang is fresh from his success in Shanghai, but neither his style nor his times are impressive. He won the furlong race up north in 2 mins. 44 secs. swimming in a 60-yard pool. But even reducing that time to one in a 25-yard pool could not bring him within the 2 mins. 22 secs. or under, which is the Ng Nin and Chan Chun-nam class.

For the women's 50 yards, I anticipate a win for Miss Churn, but only on Sunday, too, Miss Ko Mui-ling was clocked at 32½ secs! This is about Miss Churn's time so one can look forward to an excellent race there.

The men's breast-stroke will see the Butterfly against the normal stroke. It is indeed pleasurable to see that Enrique Chaine, Colony breast-stroke record holder, will be defending his title. I don't know whether Chaine has adopted the butterfly stroke, but if he hasn't his

### SPORTS ADVT.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.  
Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,  
Actg. Secretary,  
Hongkong, 18th September, 1940.

### Further Shanghai Records Broken

As the final curtain rang down on the swimming season at the Foreign "Y" pool on Sept. 7, two more Shanghai records were established. Jackie Lumadine breaking the 150 yards medley swim mark, and Dorrie Gray cracking a 10-year-old figure in the Ladies' 50 yards breast-stroke. Lumadine clocked a fast time of 1 minute 52 seconds to beat the old official record by 1-4/5 seconds, while Dorrie Gray exceeded by one-fifth of a second the old mark of 39-4/5 seconds for the breast-stroke.

Other champions crowned were youthful Bob Hekking in the 100 yards free-style, who was timed in 32-4/5 seconds, and "Jappy" Grilk and his wife, who swept through in the men's and ladies' diving championship.

### Major Baseball

## Indians Maintain Slight Lead

### Tigers Threaten Again

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (UP).—Cleveland Indians, though sharing honours with the Philadelphia Athletics in a double-header to-day maintain a slight lead in the American League over the Detroit Tigers, who threaten again following their victory over the Washington Senators.

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia	R	H	E
Battery: Ross, Hayes, Wagner	3	0	1
Cleveland	8	0	0
Battery: Harder, Pytlak	3	7	0
Philadelphia	2	6	0
Battery: Babich, Hayes	2	6	0
Cleveland	2	6	0
Battery: Eisenstat, Dobson, Hemsley	2	5	2
Washington	2	5	2
Battery: Krakauskas, Haynes, Carrasquel, Ferrell	9	11	0
Detroit	6	3	3
Battery: Newsom, Tebbetts	6	3	3
New York	10	15	3
Battery: Russo, Hadley, Gomez, Sundra, Dickey	10	15	3
St. Louis	6	9	0
Battery: Kennedy, Swift	6	9	0
Boston	3	5	8
Battery: Wilson, Bessile	3	5	8
Chicago	3	5	8
Battery: Dietrich, Appleton, Brown, Tresh	3	5	8

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati	R	H	E
Battery: Thomson, Beggs, Wilson, Baker	3	10	1
Brooklyn	3	10	1
Battery: Davis, Frank	7	7	1
(Ten Innings were played)			
Pittsburgh	7	7	1
Battery: Butcher, M. Brown, Kilgus, Davis	7	7	1
New York	6	7	1
Battery: Lohman, Carpenter, Lynn, Danning	6	7	1
St. Louis	7	8	0
Battery: Rutchen, Owen	7	8	0
Philadelphia	1	6	1
Battery: Frye, Masterson, Warren	1	6	1

chances of holding his title are slim, but I'm glad that hasn't prevented him from entering.

VERSATILE Ng Nin is out for wide competition. His seven events are all the free-style distances and the breast-strokes and back-stroke. If he can live up to the reputation that has been built around him, he should be a six-fold champion at the end of the meeting.

He won't have everything his own way in the 50 yards dash, however, for there are David Hutchinson, Ng Tsun-man and D. H. Taylor to be reckoned with.

But speaking generally of the coming events, expectations are high. If records are broken such won't be anything unanticipated. Then following close upon the heels of the championships is the meet with the Philippines. But that is subject for discussion in another article.

## LEAGUE CRICKET TO CARRY ON

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Racial Factor

Sir.—We all know that Portugal is in Europe, and we also do know that being descendants of such people who come out here years and years ago, we still cling to and pride ourselves as being PORTUGUESE, but like many others, I can only call myself as being MACAENESE.

Perhaps "Portuguese European" is one of those who can trace his or her family tree, but not me, and am still proud to be known as a Macaene.

Indeed we are all here registered as Portuguese, but I am sure many will agree with me not in the sense as claimed by "Portuguese European." LOCAL.

### Airmen Beat Gunners With Miniature Rifles

An interesting competition was held at the R.A.F. Station, Kai Tak, on Sunday last between teams of the H.K.S.R.A. Sergeants' Mess Rifle Club and R.A.F. Rifle Club, in which each competitor shot with a .22 B.S.A. match rifle and a rifle "as issued" with 22 Morris tube.

The targets used were of the standard 25-yard 8-bull S.M.R.C. "sighter card" pattern, ten rounds deliberate being fired at each end.

The following results were returned:

	Open	Deep	Light	Shots
P. O. Gray	78	95	—	—
W. O. Toulson	78	95	—	—
Mr. Evans	78	95	—	—
Cpl. Berry	78	95	—	—
Cpl. Bentley	78	95	—	—
Cpl. Gash	78	95	—	—
Total	446	571	—	—
H.K.S.R.A.	—	—	—	—
Q.M.S. Barnham	34	58	—	—
Sgt. Bromley	34	58	—	—
Sgt. Shirley	29	43	—	—
Sgt. Maloney	53	83	—	—
Sgt. Lewis	53	87	—	—
Sgt. Williams	50	54	—	—
Total	274	401	—	—
Total	720	—	—	—

## Similar Programme As For Past Season

### FIRST MATCHES IN JANUARY

"I WOULD congratulate Hongkong if you could keep cricket going and run the League through the conditions of the next few months" were the approving words of Major Petrie, Army representative at the Hongkong Cricket League meeting yesterday, when it was indicated that there would be ample support from the Clubs for the continuance of the usual annual competitions.

Much as the Army would desire to enter the League, continued Major Petrie, he thought it would be better not to because they were unable to guarantee that they could fulfil their fixtures, Army sides would, however, continue to appear in friendly matches.

With the withdrawal of the Army side, six Clubs were still left who were in favour of the Senior Division of the League, and seven voted for the continuance of the Second Division.

Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, who was later re-elected President, was in the Chair, and was supported by Mr. F. J. R. Mitchell, vice-President, and Mr. A. H. Madar, Hon. Secretary, both of whom were re-elected.

#### The Entries

THE discussion of the League was the main subject of the meeting and an early vote showed that the majority of Clubs were in favour of the continuance of the League. These Clubs, and the number of teams, were:

	1st Div.	2nd Div.
Club de Recreato	1	1
Kowloon C.C.	1	1
Indian R.C.	1	1
Craigengower C.C.	1	1
Civil Service C.C.	1	1
H.K. University	1	1
Police	1	1
Total	6	7

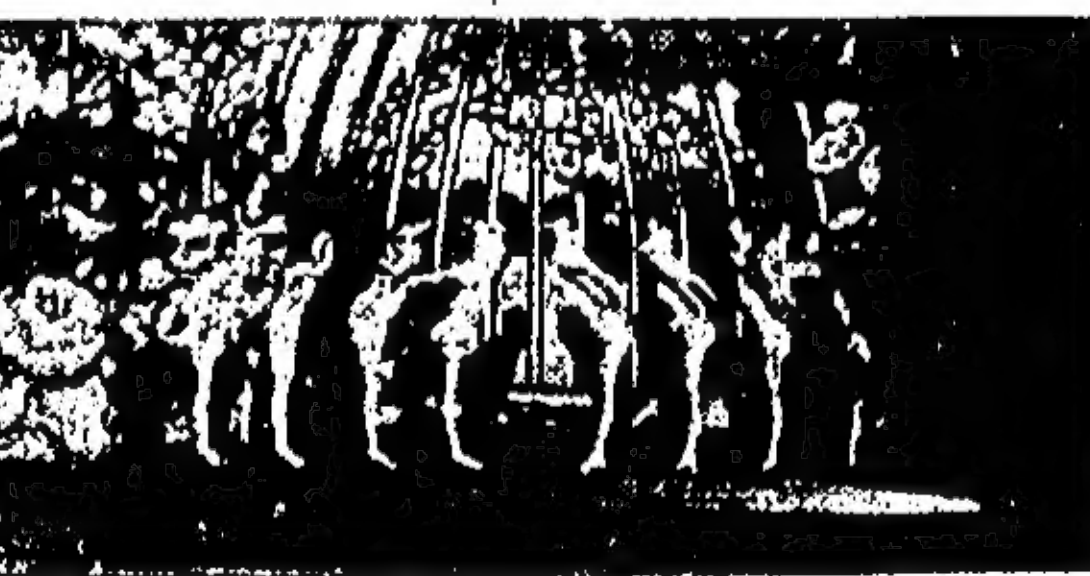
#### Golf

### F. Buckle Qualifies For Adamson Cup

F. Buckle, with a score of 80-12-68, qualified for the Adamson Cup during the September Qualifying Competition at Happy Valley, which was held from September 9 to 15.

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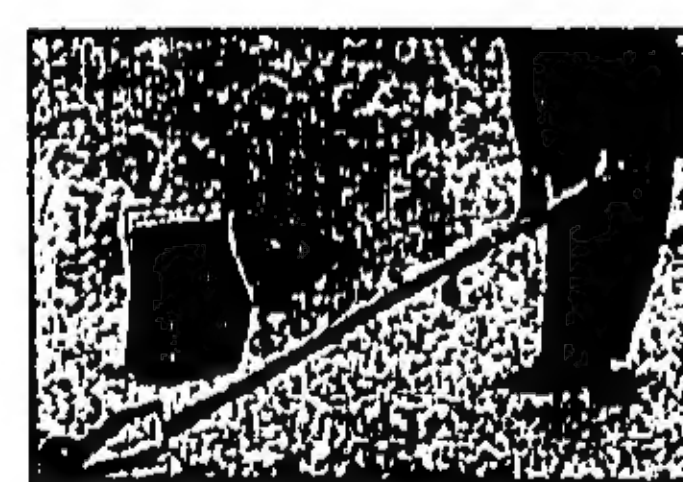
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By Ernie Bushmiller

## From Coast to Coast England's Shores are Stripped for War

### WE ARE READY FOR THE BLITZKRIEG WHENEVER HITLER LIKES TO COME

#### New Drug '760' Used In Vain Bid To Save Boy

REACTION to a new drug known as "760," extensively used in America but which has been on the British market only a fortnight, was said at an inquest at Walthamstow, E., to have caused the death of ten-year-old David Zussman, of Belvedere-road, Leyton.

The drug "760" is a compound in the same group as the famous "M & B 693," which for two years now has been used successfully for pneumonia.

A representative of the British makers of "760" told me yesterday that the drug is a development of the same drug, prontosil, from which "693" was derived.

"It is used for much the same conditions, but has a much wider range of action against various organisms, and also causes less nausea," he said.

"Take staphylococcus, for instance. That is an organism which invades the blood stream. '760' is very active against it; '693' is relatively inactive in this case.

"Although '760' has been on the British market only for about a fortnight, it has been used under

observation in clinics here for some time. The results have been good. It has been successful, too, in America.

#### The Only Failure

"You cannot obtain it without a doctor's prescription. It costs 3d. a tablet, and is usually taken over a few days.

"When the patient is unconscious, or when the infection is difficult to focus, '760' is administered, diluted, by injection.

"The only deaths when '760' was used clinically were after its administration at a time when the patient was already too ill for its help."

It was said at the inquest on David Zussman that he died one and a half hours after the administration of the drug. He had an infection of the blood stream.

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was recorded.

By Our Special Correspondent, Richard Capell Somewhere in England.  
THE NAVY THE ARMY AND THE AIR FORCE HAVE IN THE LAST FEW DAYS BEEN OUR HOSTS ON THE SHORES THEY ARE DEFENDING—THE HOSTS, THAT IS, OF A NUMBER OF CORRESPONDENTS NOW BACK AFTER A WINTER AND SPRING SPENT ABROAD WITH ONE OR ANOTHER OF THE ARMIES IN FRANCE.

By the headlong, fateful course of events in May and June the war has come nearer home.

And the experience we had had in the winter of being shown the defences of France along the Scheldt, Moselle, and Saar, and in the hills of the Ardennes and the Vosges has this week been translated into the terms of the English scene.

There is no denying that it brings a pang. To travel across a certain county from its inland border to the coast is to see the grip of the necessities of war hardening every few miles until, on the seashore itself, all normal life has stopped.

Beaches which a year ago were the children's delight are desolate.

#### Pang And Pride

It brings a pang. But the altered and stern face of England that looks out to sea inspires, too, a feeling of pride.

That face can only appear formidable to the foe on the other side, and every week that passes, every day, adds purpose to its frown.

Every week, every day, our shores and cliffs and the land behind bristle more and more effectively with men and arms.

While the forsaken gardens of the seaside villas run wild there are gardeners of another sort who are delving indefatigably.

When happier times return they will be found to have left substantial memorials of this grim year to interest holiday-makers on the English beaches, memorials if not beautiful in themselves, at least as curious as the Martello towers that have so long remained to call to mind to carefree generations an old menacing tyranny heroically withstood.

What form these additions to the flower beds of the promenade and the cliff walks take exactly is best left undescribed.

But all who are still living a soft, indulgent life should in all decency give a thought to those who, the fighters of to-morrow, are to-day navvying in the defence of us all.

They are in their thousands on thousands sweating to do in a day the work of two.

#### All Together

One impression of the week is of the collaboration between the services. Landmen and seamen are learning to know one another better than ever before in the defence of Britain.

It is heartening to come into contact with these men, whether of sea, land or air.

A submarine officer, grinning pleasantly tells me of the peculiar advantages of his occupation, one that may seem to the average landman to lack any obvious attraction.

"Heurtening!" It is heartening to witness the rest of a party of naval recruits ("H.O.s") at gun-drill.

"H.O." by the way, stands for "Hostilities only," and is a short form of saying "engaged for the duration of the war."

#### On Top

"Heurtening" is the least possible word for the case when you get among R.A.F. pilots. Their spirit is thrilling.

A couple of lads looking like average undergraduates will sit on a table in the mess, swinging their legs and smoking, and will quite simply and casually tell tales to turn your head dizzy.

There is no mistaking that the R.A.F. feels itself to be on the top of the world. And what is the daily news if not justification?

The Hurricane is the machine of a pilot's dream; so one of them says, and the words are a cordial. Though not in numbers, yet in the worth both of machines and men, the R.A.F. knows that it outclasses the adversary.

To look from England's shores to-day is to feel a conviction that the enemy on his side must be starting across these blessed waters with no small measure of concern and distrust.

He is strong, he is wily, he is ruthless; but this stretch of salt water represents new problems for him, and what can be read in the faces of the men defending these shores is a feeling of assurance that Jerry, if he comes, will pay an unholly price for the adventure.

#### No Complacency

No one uses big words. No one professes to have a prophet's view of the course of events.

No one is inclined to underrate

the enemy. It is one lesson above all has been learnt after a winter and spring in France, it is that of the perils of complacency.

Too much cannot be done. The well-equipped can always be better equipped. The bristling cliffs can never bristle too fiercely.

The lessons of the spring are being applied in other ways. One interesting experience was to be given an explanation by an artillery commander of the novel role his battery may be called on to play.

Illustrations are not the order of the day. But the Army feels keenly that it has not yet had its chance to give the Germans its measure.

Everyone is serious, but not unduly so; and everyone looks remarkably fit.

#### Extra 3,000 U.S. 'Planes A Month Plan For Britain

Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, prefaced a recent broadcast by announcing that entering the B.B.C. building he had received a telephone call from Mr. Morris Wilson, Air Ministry representative in the United States and Canada.

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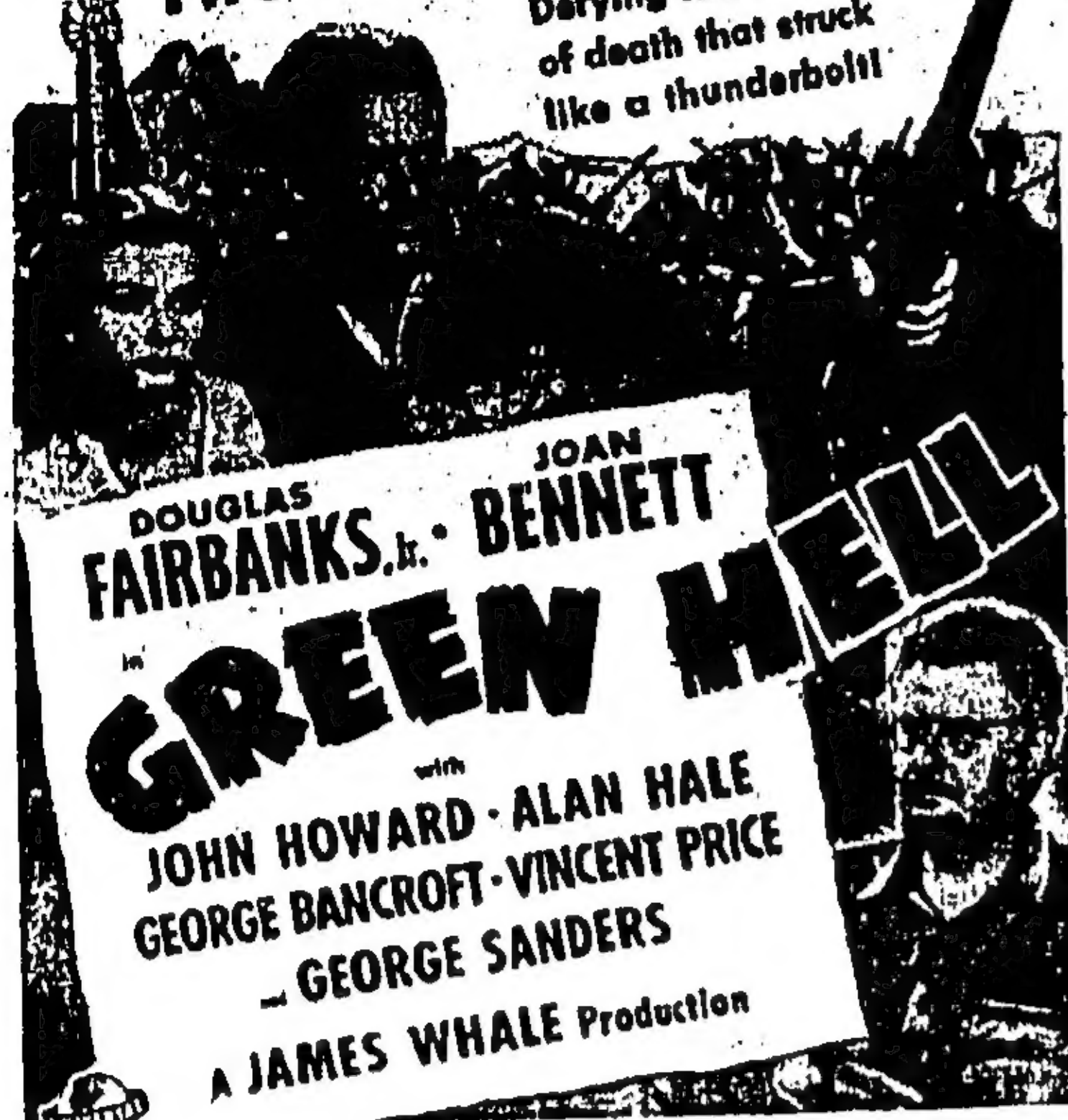


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### FRENCH TROOPS MINED

London, Sept. 15  
A convoy of ten French merchant ships with demobilized soldiers aboard ran into a minefield in the Mediterranean en route to Marseilles from North Africa, says an official German news agency despatch from Geneva.

It is announced from Vichy, adds the agency, that two ships were sunk, although most members of the crew and soldiers were rescued.—Reuter.

These increases, announced by the Minister for Home Defence, benefit about 200,000 people.

The revised standard weekly rate for men will thus be 65s. and for women 43s. 6d.

It is made clear that men getting the 5s. advance include foremen and skilled members of rescue parties.

Volunteers appointed as depot superintendents or deputy superintendents whose existing rate is less than £5 a week may be granted a similar increase so long as it does not carry the revised rate over £5 a week.

The increases apply similarly to whole-time members of the A.F.S., including officers whose present rate is below £5.

The Minister's decision is the result of discussions with the consultative committee appointed by the unions to meet him on wages and conditions in Civil Defence.

The unions parties to the arrangement are the Transport and General Workers' Union, the National Union of General and Municipal Workers, the Fire Brigades Union, the National Federation of Building Trades Operatives and the National Union of Public Employees.

## U.S. Lends \$42,750,000 To Plane Makers They Will Help Britain

An advance of 171,000,000 dollars (\$42,750,000) to manufacturers of planes and munitions for the extension of plant is to be made by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, it was announced in Washington.

An official of the corporation said the capacity of the factories included in the scope of the advance would be extended to such a vast extent that British orders for aircraft could be fulfilled without interfering with the needs of United States defence.

## ITALIAN DESIGN IN EGYPT Attempt To Seize Canal

Rome, Sept. 16.  
Marshal Graziani, employing the greater part of Italy's armed forces in Libya, supported by aviation, is proceeding against Britain's Australians, New Zealanders, and Indians. The Italians are making a three-pronged drive—along the coast and with two columns striking from inland across the plateau. Their main objectives are Alexandria and the Suez Canal.

It is authoritatively stated that the Italian infantry will reach Alexandria in a minimum of one month and a maximum of two months, regardless of the German offensive against Britain. The next immediate Italian objective will probably be Mersa Matruh, 125 miles from the Cyrenaica frontier.—United Press.

### Heavy Italian Losses

Cairo, Sept. 16.  
Heavy losses have been inflicted on the Italian troops which are penetrating into Egypt. It is stated that the Italians have exposed themselves to heavy fire from planes and artillery. While our casualties continue to be insignificant, the enemy is believed to have lost many men and much material.—Reuter Bulletin.

### Not at War With Egypt

Rome, Sept. 16.  
It is learnt authoritatively that Italy is still trying to refrain from any declaration of war against Egypt, despite the launching of an offensive by Marshal Graziani and the taking of Sollum.

According to responsible Italian sources, Italy is only waging war against the British forces in Egypt, not against the Egyptians. These quarters state that Italy cannot permit Egypt to be used as a British base directed against Italian interests. Therefore, the Italian army has entered Egyptian territory.—United Press.

### British Bombers Busy

Rome, Sept. 16.  
A communique issued to-day stated:—"British planes carried out air raids over Asnaf, Mossawa, Asmara, and other African cities, causing slight damage.—United Press."

## Successor To Late Rep. Bankhead

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).  
The House of Representatives, by acclamation, to-day elected Representative Rayburn, of Texas, its Speaker in succession to the late Mr. William B. Bankhead.

Speaker Bankhead to-day was given an impressive state funeral at which President Roosevelt was present with members of the Cabinet, Congress and Supreme Court as well as Speaker Bankhead's actress daughter, Talullah Bankhead.

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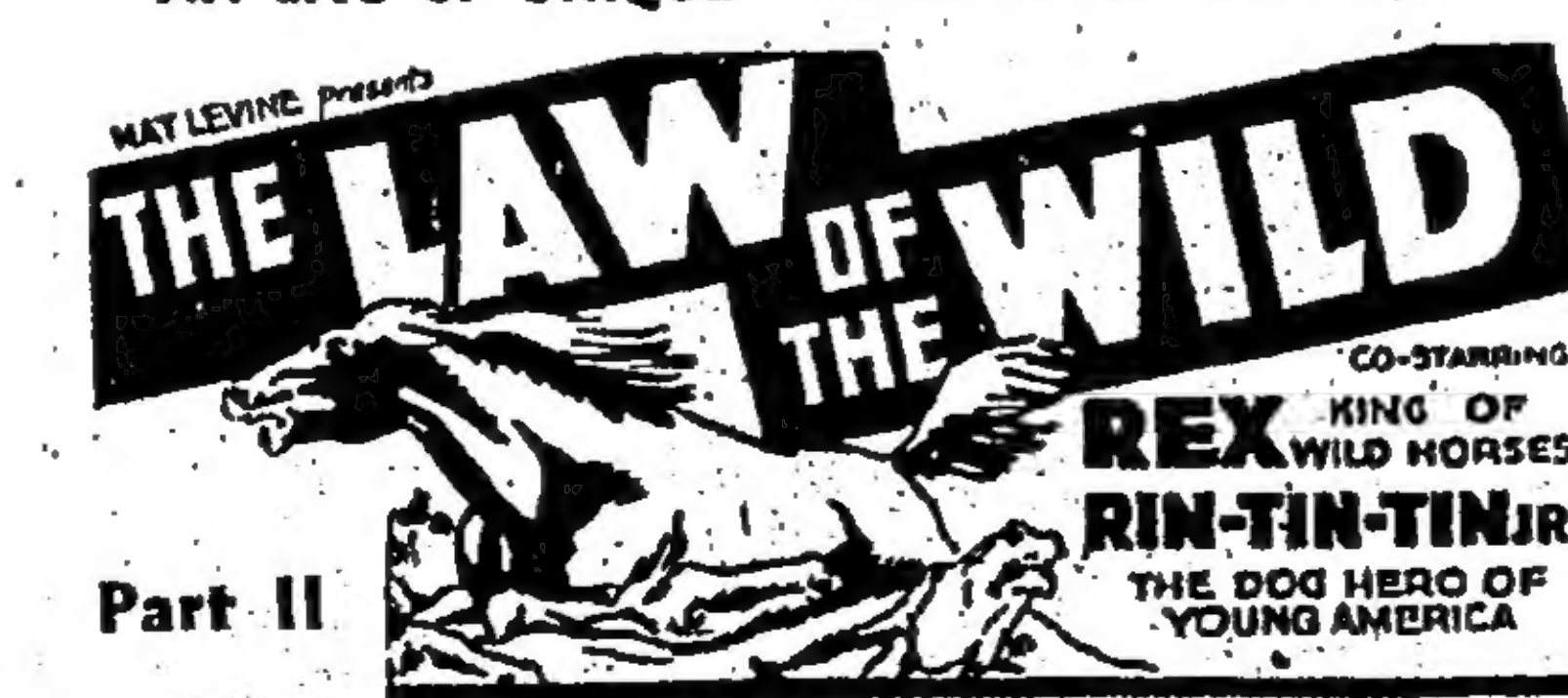
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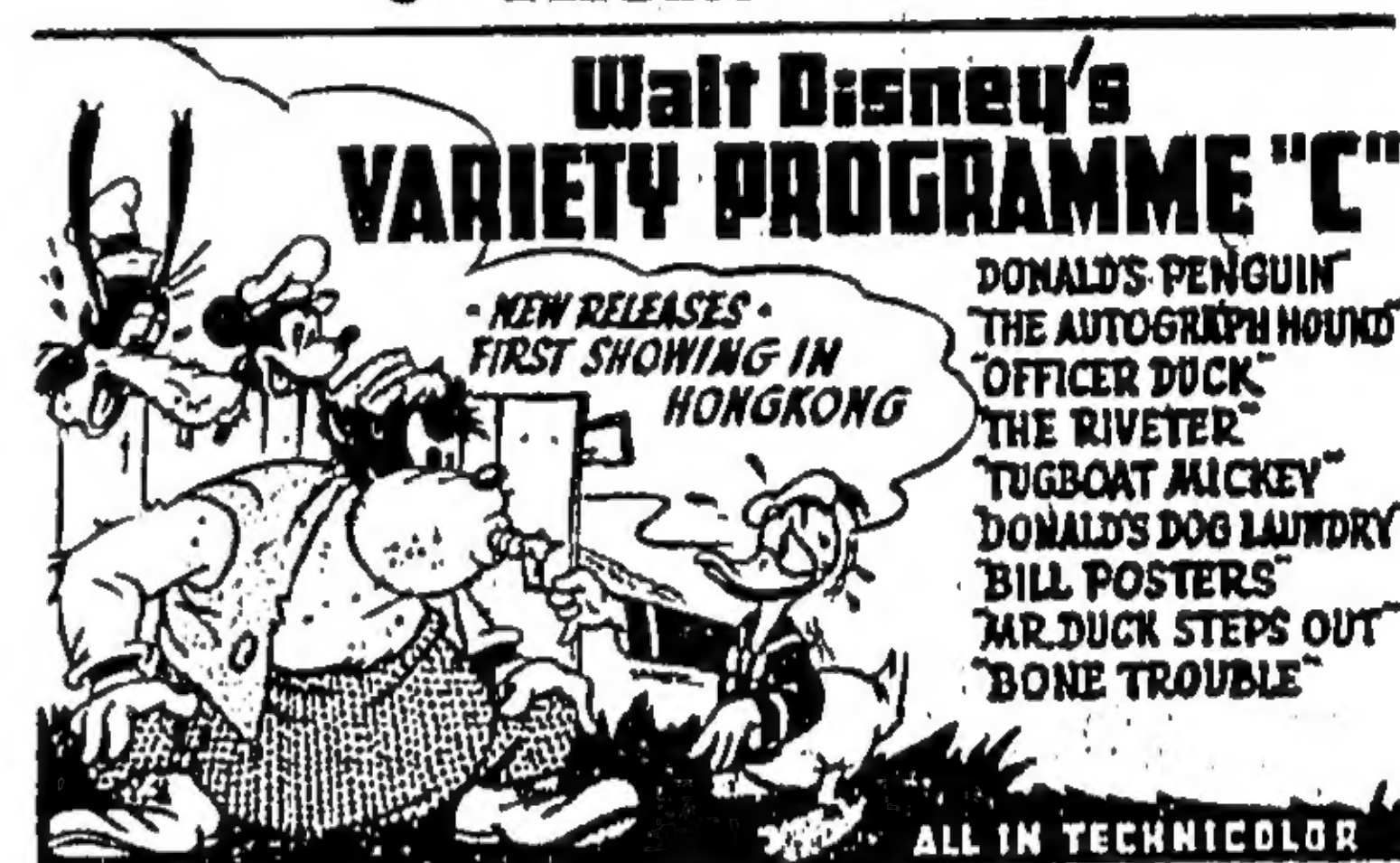
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**WHITEAWAY'S**

# "Crisis Week-End" Passes, But Britain's Defenders Still on Alert

## NEUTRALS BELIEVE THREAT OF INVASION DECREASING DAILY

### HEAVY FOG OVER CHANNEL FAVOURS NAZIS BUT R.A.F. BLASTS BARGE ASSEMBLY

Special to the "Telegraph"

THE BRITISH CABINET still reckons strongly with the threat of immediate invasion, an influential member of the Government told "United Press" last night.

But the failure of "crisis week-end" to produce anything extraordinary has strengthened the feeling of neutral experts that the threat of invasion is decreasing each day.

Whether the delay is due to conflict within the German High Command, or conflict between Hitler and the High Command, or the Luftwaffe's inability to break the Royal Air Force and the latter's own murderous pounding of invasion bases is not clear.

#### FULLY PREPARED

If the invasion does come, Britain is fully prepared.

A Cabinet member said last night: "We continue to believe it might come at any hour."

"But never have we been more confident in our ability to crush it."

All along Britain's shores, hundreds of thousands of look-outs are on the quiver, ready to raise the alarm the moment anything untoward happens.

#### FOG OVER CHANNEL

Every available unit of the Royal Navy is patrolling the invasion area. Late yesterday afternoon a very dense fog descended on the Channel area, reducing visibility to about 100 feet, and the aerial ceiling to zero.

The wind is abating.

Meanwhile the Germans have ordered the entire southern and western coast of Norway closed, presumably to conceal invasion preparations.

#### Shattering Attacks By Our Bombers

### Berlin Airport Hit & Damaged By R.A.F.

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).—Describing the attack on Berlin in the early hours of this morning, the Air Ministry news service states that the German capital was visited by a harassing force which bombed military objectives to the north-west of the city, the Tempelhof Airport and power stations which had been damaged in previous raids.

The raiders were met with anti-aircraft fire but none of the aircraft was hit.

Thunderstorms over the city caused the engine of one bomber attacking the Tempelhof Airport to cut out as the crew were approaching the target.

#### Unloaded Bombs

Continuing his run, the pilot unloaded his bombs on the aerodrome and flying at 5,000 feet succeeded in maintaining this height on only one engine for 45 minutes until the second engine picked up.

Invasion bases on the Dutch, Belgian and French coast were again the chief objectives on Sunday night's raids.

#### Antwerp Again

During the night the heaviest attacks were directed against the TURN to Page 8, Column Five

#### 6 LOST ABOARD "EXPRESS"

LONDON, Sept. 16 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that the following casualties occurred in the destroyer, Express, which was damaged recently either by mine or torpedo:

Killed.—Lieut. Commr. D. W. Dunn, Temporary Sub-Lieutenant R. F. Lawrence.  
Died of Wounds.—Capt. J. G. Blackford.  
Missing.—Temporary Surgeon Lieut. A. C. Sheldford.  
Wounded.—Lieut. C. M. K. Bruton and Lieut. D. H. Maitland-MacGill-Crichton.

### CONVOYS RAIDED German Shipping Gets Bad Time

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).—Fuller details of Air Force attacks are given by the Air Ministry news service. The statement says that the German supply ship sunk at anchor at IJmuiden was a 5,000-ton vessel.

### SNOBBERY MADE TRIP TO AUSTRALIA "UNPLEASANT"

—Sydney Report

Snobbery aboard one of the evacuee ships en route to Australia from Hongkong made life unpleasant for passengers aboard, according to the Sydney "Daily Telegraph."

Efforts were made by a section of the passengers to obtain concessions which they did not wish to have granted to the other sections.

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All persons over the age of 15 years are required to carry passes before leaving or entering the area.

German guns on the French coast continued shelling the Dover area at 11 a.m.

The bombardment opened with salvoes as the city's main streets were crowded with morning shoppers, who rushed to the shelters.

Four salvoes were fired within ten minutes. Eleven persons were injured.

#### Concentrations Blasted

The Royal Air Force, despite poor visibility and adverse flying conditions, continued to blast the Nazi barge concentrations over a wide area.

Heavy attacks were made yesterday on concentrations of war supplies, barges, shipping, dock yards and ports at Hamburg, Wilhelmshaven, Antwerp, Flushing, Ostend, Dunkirk, Calais and Boulogne.

Direct hits were scored on a German warship at Terschelling and a military tanker and supply ship in the Elbe Estuary were severely damaged.

Aircraft of the Coastal Command also sank an enemy ship off IJmuiden.

German convoys off the Netherlands coast were also attacked, two supply ships being sunk.

Attacks were also made on the shipping and docks at Le Havre, ships alongside the quays and the quays themselves being repeatedly hit.

(United Press and Domestic messages.)

### Roosevelt Signs Conscription Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).—President Roosevelt at a brief ceremony at the White House signed the Burke-Wadsworth Conscription Bill whereby some 16,500,000 men between the ages of 21 and 35 become liable to military service.

### Berlin Says Goering Was In London Raid

Five Warnings Yesterday

Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, Sept. 16 (UP).—Goering himself is said in authoritative quarters in Berlin to have piloted a Junkers 88 type of bomber over London on Sunday night.

#### Communiques

### R.A.F. IN ACTION

Intensive Raids

Official communiques issued last night included the following: LONDON: British Bombers Active

The R.A.F. last night bombed military objectives in Berlin.

Further heavy attacks were made on concentrations of war supplies, barges, and shipping at dockyards and the ports of Hamburg, Wilhelmshaven, Antwerp, Flushing, Ostend, Dunkirk, Calais and Boulogne.

Other forces of R.A.F. bombers attacked distribution centres at Hamm, Osnabruck, Soest and Kreftling, godownyards at Hamburg and railway junctions at Rheine were also bombed.

#### Warship Hit

A direct hit was made on an enemy warship off Terschelling, while an oil tanker and a supply ship in the Elbe estuary were severely damaged.

Coastal Command aircraft sank an enemy supply ship off IJmuiden.

Convoys off the Dutch coast were also attacked. Two supply ships were sunk and others severely damaged.

Attacks were also made on shipping and docks at Le Havre, where ships alongside quays and the quays themselves were repeatedly hit.

From these extensive and successful operations, all our aircraft returned safely.

#### AIR MINISTRY: Raid Casualties Slight

Reports hitherto received show that the number of TURN to Page 8, Column Three

#### GOERING FEARS THEM

Here is the gun—and the man behind it—feared by German airmen. This type of R.A.F. pilot sent 186 planes, over a thousand Nazi airmen, crashing to their doom in yesterday's great air battles.



### FRENCH DOWN R.A.F. PLANE

VICHY, Sept. 16 (UP).

It is officially announced that a French fighting plane, patrolling near Casablanca, shot down a British seaplane in flames when the latter fired a volley of shots at the French craft.

The British crew of three were saved by a French naval launch.

British planes recently flew over Morocco dropping tracts inviting the French to join the De Gaulle movement.

### ITALIAN CLAIMS

Bugbug Reached

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Sept. 16 (UP).—It has been reliably reported that Italian forces have reached the outskirts of Bugbug, thirty miles beyond Sollum and half way between Sollum and Sidi Barrani.

The latest dispatches from Benghazi to-night said that Italian planes to-day intensified their attacks on Sidi Barrani and Marsamtruh.

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#### LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

#### Cholera

### New Year Advanced

#### Kowloon City Wards Off Evil Spirits

For the purpose of driving away the evil spirits which they believed have descended upon them, the villagers of Kowloon City, which so far has suffered the greatest number of cholera cases, celebrated Chinese New Year yesterday—about four months in advance of the actual date.

The advancement was decided upon following a conference between the village elders and temple priests and after a consultation by the latter with the gods and goddesses who decreed that the year was a bad one—hence the necessity of beginning a new year.

This is the second occasion that the Chinese New Year has been celebrated in advance, the occasion having been observed by the inhabitants of Salkung on September 2.

### Possible Australian-U.S. Defence Pact

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, had a lengthy conference to-day with Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, and Mr. R. G. Casey, the Australian Minister, on matters which were stated later to be particularly concerned with Australia.

The conference is believed to have dealt largely with Japan's moves in French Indo-China and the possible implications for Australia.

There has been speculation that the United States and Australia might form a defence agreement similar to that recently concluded with Canada.



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4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.

5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.

6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.

7.—All entries to be either black and white or sepia-toned, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.

8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.

9.—No picture is entered in more than one Section.

10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes: 10x12, 16x20.

11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.

12.—Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.

13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.

14.—At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the Telegraph offices within seven days.

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## ROOSEVELT SIGNS CONSCRIPT BILL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter). — President Roosevelt at a brief ceremony at the White House signed the Burke-Wadsworth Conscription Bill whereby some 16,500,000 men between the ages of 21 and 35 become liable to military service.

In a proclamation accompanying the measure, President Roosevelt announced that the registration date will be October 16.

### President's Statement

Simultaneously the President issued the following statement: "America has adopted selective service in time of peace and in doing so has broadened and enriched our basic concept of citizenship. "Besides the clear democratic ideal of equal rights, equal privileges and equal opportunities, we set forth and underlying and other duties, obligations and responsibilities of equal service."

"In thus providing for national defence, we have not carved a new uncharted trail in history out of democratic institutions, we have merely reasserted an old accepted principle of democratic government."

The first contingent of 75,000 men will be in uniform about a month after the nationwide registration is completed.

The subsequent quotas will be up in batches of 100,000 or 125,000 men to reach a total of 400,000 by January and 900,000 by spring.

The new law also provides for conscription of industry to the extent the Government may take over factories on a rental basis whenever it is considered necessary.

### Air Services As Usual

From Kunning

CHUNGKING, Sept. 17 (Reuter). — Reports that air passenger and mail services between Hanoi and Kunning are interrupted are denied by the Ministry of Communications, which stated that the air services between China and French Indo-China are continuing as usual.

It is further stated that not only the Sino-American China National Aviation Corporation machines are now operating services between Hanoi and Kunning but the Sino-German Eurasia Corporation at present are also operating services over the same line.

Chinese reports from the French colony indicate that all is quiet and that no Japanese troops have landed.

### Plane Which Bombed Palace Brought Down

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter). — The British sergeant pilot who shot down the German plane that bombed Buckingham Palace yesterday was on his first flight.

His formation was at 17,000 feet when they saw 30 bombers coming towards London, he said.

The bomber he attacked took all that he had to give it. But fell off. He broke away intending to attack it again.

Black oil covered his windscreen as he made his second attack, but he believes that in fact he attacked a second machine.

A big flame shot up. This probably came from the petrol tank.

He made a head-on attack on another plane, firing straight into the cockpit. He saw what he at first thought to be a piece of the machine breaking away and then saw that it was a German bulleting out.

Then he got into trouble himself. As he made his final attack, his right wing hit something with a terrific crack. He struggled free from his machine and eventually slid down a roof at Chelsea. He fell into a garden on his back.

### Prayers For Safety Of St. Paul's Fabric

LONDON, Sept. 16 (British Wire). — Special prayers of thanks for the safety of the fabric were said in St. Paul's to-day when the first lunch-hour service since the removal of the unexploded bomb was held.

The officiating canon gave thanks for the courage, skill and devotion to duty of the men who disposed of the bomb.

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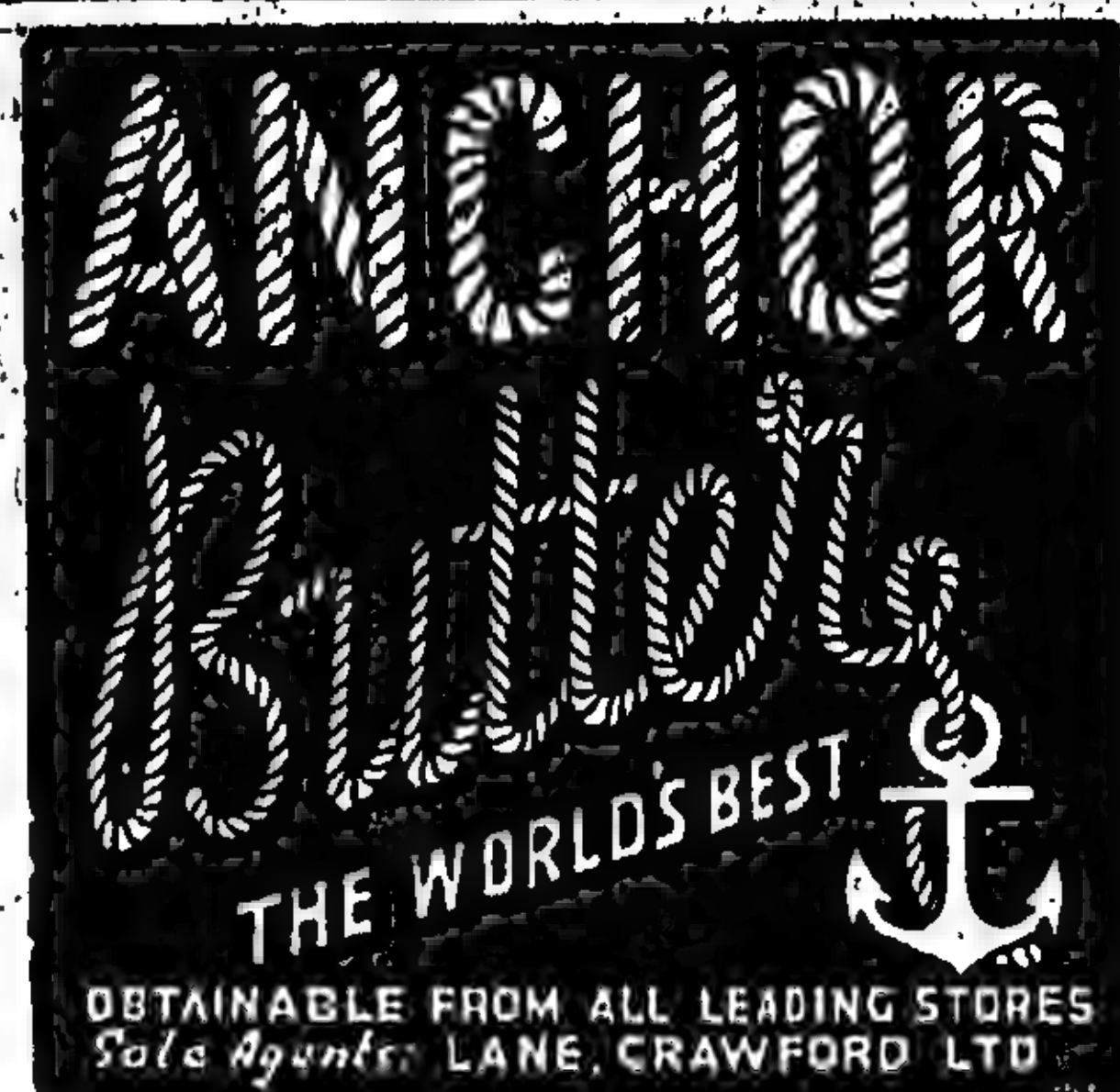
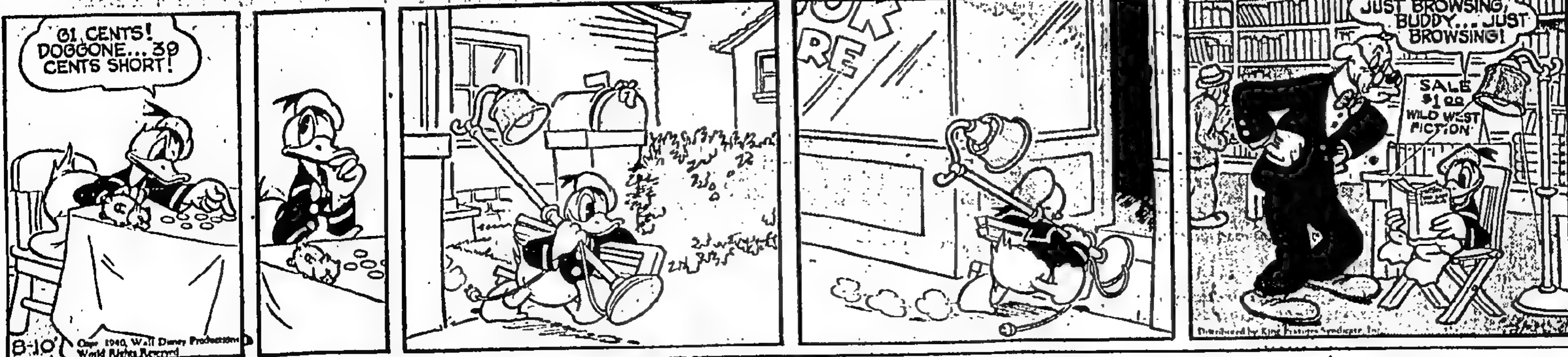
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### Child's Guide To World Politics

### The 51st.

by PAUL HOLT

Paul Holt, almost as bewildered as most politicians by the sudden flux of world diplomacy has written to his son at school, anticipating many awkward questions in the approaching holidays, as follows:

**DEAR MICHAEL,**  
Since France found they couldn't fight any more, this war has left the battlefield again and, just now, is being fought by tight-lipped, school-masterish diplomats in book-lined studies. It's a war of wangles again. But be sure that, whatever these long-nosed gents fix up to-day, it's going to mean that plenty of people are going to get hurt to-morrow.

It's no good looking at maps any more. They don't make sense. I think the best way to tackle it is to go back to those old kid primers. Like this—

**O STANDS for the Nazi Octopus.** Hitler's war machine is an octopus with eight tentacles (that's why it's called an octopus—*okto*, eight; *pous*, a foot Greek). Seven of those feet are planted on Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Holland, Norway, Belgium and France. He doesn't let go. He has only one foot left. Guess where he's going to try to put it. Right, my son. And guess why he's hesitat-

ing. Because he's only got one foot left!

**B STANDS for the Bridegroom, Uncle Sam.** He'd make an ideal match for any girl in the world. And he's going to the altar, don't you worry about that.

But before he gets round to Mendelssohn he's got some bachelor debts to pay. More debts than ready cash, in fact.

He's got to see that the Philippines, for which he is responsible until 1946, are O.K. That means the Japanese, of course. And Mexico, where the Nazis and the Communists have got together to scare the fellows in charge. And South America, particularly Brazil, where the Nazis could start something to-morrow for five pfennig.

It wouldn't do if any of those gents turned up to the wedding clutching a bill in hand. And, besides, there's the best man to be picked. There's an old friend, Roosevelt, and a new friend, Wendell Willkie.

It isn't exactly going to be a shot-gun wedding, but a fellow likes to get things fixed first, if you get me.

**T STANDS for the Chinese Tortoise.** You won't remember the days when Chung Kuo-shih was world war lord No. 1. For three years we haven't been hearing much of him, but all of a sudden he's become the most important man in the world again.

All this time he's been playing the old tortoise and hare game with the Japanese invaders. He's retreated a thousand miles, just like the Russians did before Napoleon

128 years ago, and he's sitting pat in Chungking.

The Japanese generals are tired of their war. But the Japanese admirals are rarin' to go. What they'd like to do would be to leave the Chinese Tortoise tucked in his shell and sail the seas to the south for easier pickings. Look at the map.

**G STANDS for the Russian Garbo.** She wants to be alone. Every time she makes another little grab in the West it's like putting another line of bricks along the top of her wall so that nobody can peek over. One brick was Finland, another was Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania. Another is Rumania's eastern province Bessarabia, and Bukovina to the north.

Don't be surprised if Garbo picks up a few more bricks. A fair share of the Dardanelles wouldn't hurt Turkey, and I don't suppose it would worry us. But there'll come a time when the Russian Garbo doesn't want to be alone any more. She won't want to be alone to fight Hitler.

You could go on with the alphabet up to twenty-six, easy, but I think that's enough for to-day. Except, of course, for one more letter.

**L STANDS for the British Lion.** He's wounded and he's lying up in the long grass, waiting for his enemy to come in after him. All you can see is the tip of his tail, flapping lazily to and fro. He's angry. And you know that a lion is never so dangerous as when he's wounded and lying up, waiting for his enemy.

Hope your exams go well.

ASK any schoolboy whose history lessons have reached the Four Years' War, 1914-18, what division of the British Army was always in the thick of the fighting. He will tell you it was the Glorious 51st—the Highland Division.

The Germans called them "the Ladies from Hell" because of their kilt. They were in the battle of Loos. They helped to smash the Hindenburg Line in 1918. Their most memorable action was their break through at Villerscourt in May 1917.

The division, made up of famous regiments the Black Watch, the Gordon Highlanders, the Seaforth and Argylls, and the Camerons, with artillerymen, engineers and now motorised and tank units, divided into three brigades—are in the news again.

Recently official documents were issued by the War Office to add a new chapter of matchless courage but brave disaster to their history.

It is the story of how they were determined in the retreat of the BEF in the present war. It is a fearful account of confused orders from the French Command, lack of adequate weapons, broken French support. But it is also the record of soldiers who against all the odds, hopelessly outnumbered, remained at the end the pride of Scotland.

THEY took over from the French the River Bresle line. They reduced German bridge-heads south of the Somme, but the armoured units were so badly damaged that they were left without tanks.

Then the Highlanders were given a line of eighteen miles to hold from Erandelle to the sea. The French IX Corps, a force of several thousand men, had promised to strengthen the enemy line in front of them before handing over. They attacked twice in front of Abbeville. They failed both times.

On June 4 the French attacked again in the centre, with the Scots on their flanks—without tanks. The French tanks were annihilated, their following infantrymen were mowed down by machine-gun fire.

On their east side the Camerons ran into an enemy who was also attacking. No quarter was given by either side—says an official document. The casualties were appallingly heavy.

On the opposite side the Seaforths went on under furious machine-gun and mortar fire, and completed their task—the capture of a wood. So did the Gordons, who cleared out the Grand Bois at Cambrai, on the left of the French, whose infantrymen fought with great bravery.

The division had to retreat ten miles in the next two days across the River Bresle.

The Argylls, trying to hold an eight-mile front with rifles against tommy-guns, suffered terribly.

The remnants of one company of Argylls were surrounded by the enemy for two days. Somehow, one can only guess at their desperate gallantry they fought their way through the German lines to rejoin their battalion.

On June 7 the French line was broken again and the road left open to Rouen, where all the British supplies were. The Scottish line, still intact had to fall back.

Outside the steeped village church at Arques, British naval and army officers shouted to each other above the noise of the dive-bombs and the guns: "Which way shall it be?" Dieppe, St. Valery-en-Caux, Havre?

It was the afternoon of June 9. For ten days the Scots had battled their way to the sea. Now they were almost in sight of the English Channel, those that were left.

But their line stayed intact. They were within reach of the sea at last. They could go with honour. The officers outside the church made up their minds—Havre, where the Navy would evacuate the Highland Division and the French who remained with them.

Grime-clipped Scots cheered. A brigade group, which means some hundreds of men—they called it the Ark Force—set off to cover the main withdrawal.

But the motorised Germans were advancing from Rouen faster than our men could march towards the port.

One hope remained—St. Valery. A staff officer fought his way alone in a car through the German hell-fire to tell the Ark Force that the 162nd and 163rd Brigades had made for St. Valery. The rest were to go on to Havre. The Ark Force must hold out.

It did—through four days of constant bombing and cruelly sustained gunfire till the last soldier had been taken off by the Navy. The survivors of the Ark Force escaped too.

The two lost 162nd and 163rd Brigades in the darkness dragged their swollen feet towards St. Valery. A fan-shaped line had been thrown around the little town to keep the enemy off. The Gordons and the Black Watch, unbroken, fought in a desperate ring, a few hundred men against thousands. But the bridge-head broke.

The French units in their sector gave way. The Germans took the town, surrounded the Highlanders, and covered every embarkation point with their guns.

At 9 a.m. on June 12 the French capitulated.

Still the Highlanders would not give in. They took up new positions to try to recapture the town or find boats to take them off when darkness came again. Had they only known it, the naval ships were waiting at Vieux les Rues, only four miles away, and taking off other British troops.

At length their last shot was fired. Their rifles were useless.

SCOTLAND'S shield was broken, as Scott wrote of another fatal battle, and nearly 5,000 men, with fifty-seven-year-old Major-General V. M. Fortune, a D.S.O. of the last war, at their head and two brigadiers fell into the enemy's hands.

But not their guns and their vehicles. General Fortune's last order was that they should be destroyed. They were.

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ONE of the young waiters of the Cafe de la Paix told me on the day I left Paris that he had learned to count up to twenty in German.

It is a good thing he has, for most of his customers are German army men wearing grey uniforms, or force men with lighter grey, or navy men in dark blue. In the Cafe de la Paix it is now "Ein Bier," and not "Un demi," and "Noch ein Bier." Instead of "Encore un demi."

Germans crowd the cafe terraces, monopolise restaurants like Maxim's, Fouquet's, L'Orme and Prunier, and take most of the room on the pavements.

They run Paris. They have almost every truck and car, and most motor-cycles and bicycles. They have most of the money—not real German marks, but paper notes issued on the Reichskredit-kasse, which have no value, even in Germany but only in occupied territories.

Germans fill the shops to buy presents to send home, which they could not afford to buy at home, even if the goods were available there. They like it in Paris.

Those Nazi troops love to parade down the Champs Elysees, around the Arc de Triomphe every day soon after noon. The French take this with astonishing dignity, as also do the 600 British citizens who were trapped in the city for lack of transportation when the French Government fled south.

I said the Germans run Paris. They do so in a thousand ways. They control the Press from their headquarters in the Paris-Sol building, where are written or approved daily editorials and articles which are re-writing modern

### PARIS IS LEARNING A WORD—'VERBOTEN'

by WALTER KERR

New York Herald-Tribune Reporter, who has been expelled by the Germans from France.

French history, making it conform with the Nazi viewpoint.

Let there be no mistake about the power of this control.

THE same kind of control is felt in other ways. Thousands of stores, shops, cafes and restaurants closed in the days before the German army marched in. Then the Germans ruled that none should reopen without their permission. Some tried it and were promptly closed.

This, despite the fact that the Germans in the Press and on the radio, keep saying how necessary it is for men to go back to work. They have forced many places to reopen through threats of confiscation and granted permission to others to stop, but it looks like being a long time before great factories like Renault and Citroen will be in full operation again. The Germans are more interested in sending the people back to the land.

Thousands of Frenchmen are out of work or earning less money than ever before. Thousands are living on credit at their grocery shops. Few can pay their rents.

This situation could be cleared up in a short time if the occupying army cared to work on it. All Parisians need is transportation to bring food from farms to the markets, permission to go to their homes in the provinces and the means of getting there, and work.

But the army is much more interested in military affairs, and German civilian officials are more interested in harnessing French economic life to their own needs rather than to the needs of the French people.

PERHAPS inevitable among all this is the spread of the German language. The menus in many restaurants are printed both in French and German, although

there is such little choice that not many words are used.

Franco-German dictionaries are sold in stores and at street corners. German signs are posted, such as the one before the Hotel Crillon, saying "Parken auf diesen Platz verboten"—"Parking in this square forbidden." That one word is sinking in—"verboten."

A room now costs from ten francs a day in a small Left Bank hotel to twenty francs daily in a luxury hotel such as the Ritz. At the German-imposed rate of twenty francs to the mark, this means that German officers pay less than two shillings a day at the Ritz, Crillon, Meurice, George the Fifth, and many others. Frenchmen, of course, pay the usual fee.

The German army has taken over great buildings such as the Chamber of Deputies, Quai d'Orsay, Ecole Militaire, Invalides, where Napoleon and Foch are buried. Many private flats are occupied. The swastika flies everywhere. The French tricolour is forbidden.

On the streets are the grey cars of the army and air force, thousands of them recently repainted after the seizure of the Netherlands, Belgium and France. Soldiers drive them at high speed. French police, still on duty, watch them pass helplessly.

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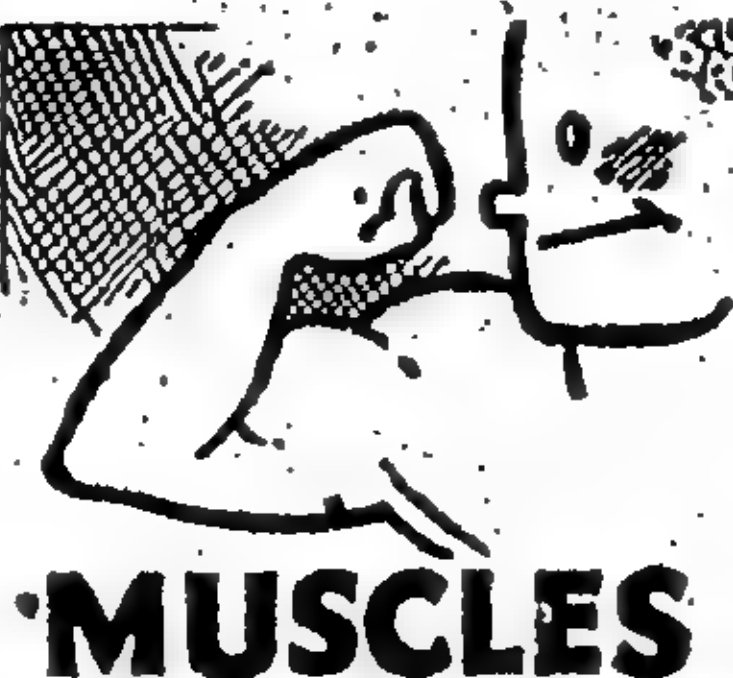
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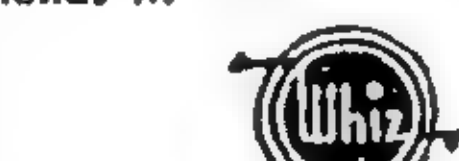
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### Ready And Waiting

It is estimated that in German air raids against Great Britain and British shipping, the enemy is losing aircraft at a faster rate than he can construct them. This rate of destruction has been maintained for some days past and yesterday's figure of 180 machines is the highest ever recorded. Great Britain is retaining her supremacy in aerial fighting in the Mediterranean for every one she loses German bombing of land targets is not as effective as is claimed in Berlin, for neutral newspapermen, who are visiting those ports and areas where Goebbels tells of devastating blows, can find few evidences to support the German form of propaganda. Most of the damage inflicted is on private property and the casualties are chiefly among helplessness civilians. Indeed, Germany's air war is directed against non-combatants, as the raids on central London bear testimony.

The claims of the Germans grow more exaggerated as their raids continue, and in this respect they are deluding their own people, but no one else. Their Government is in the position of being responsible to no one, and least of all to truth as it is shown by the German form of propaganda with the British Government. That body is responsible to Parliament. If it made exaggerated claims as a result of aerial battles the matter would be investigated on the floor of the House of Commons and the truth would be brought to light. That Parliament does not question the official communiques of its Government is proof positive of the fact that they are true. Moreover, the authorities responsible do not take unsupported evidence of the destructive proof. That is why there is a constant reaction upwards of the losses inflicted as more and more evidence comes to hand.

The British press believes that the threatened German blitzkrieg is near. Already, in successive waves daily, hundreds of enemy airplanes are taking part in raids. The more that participate the greater is the percentage of the losses they sustain. There is nothing that these raids are accomplishing that gives any indication of paving the way for an invasion of Great Britain. Whatever losses are being inflicted on the Royal Navy are insignificant. Merchant shipping is not suffering unduly. British land forces remain intact, ready to repel any attempted landing by enemy forces. What Germany is aiming at is the destruction of British aerial power. Her attacks for some weeks past have been concentrated on airdromes and air factories, as well as London, though with what measure of success is not known.

What she has failed to demonstrate is any superiority in aerial warfare. As a fighting machine Germany's air force has been shown to be at a disadvantage in encountering the British even where numerical superiority prevails. When fighting against odds the Royal Air Force seems to rise to the height of the occasion. The best estimate of all is that the trend of the aerial warfare is found in the daily losses inflicted on the enemy and sustained by the defenders. Even Germany's air resources can only be relied upon for a certain time to stand losses of three machines for every British airplane destroyed.

The Germans, if their propaganda is to be believed, are working on the assumption that the morale of the British people resembles that of the nations of Europe they have trampled underfoot. No doubt, after laying a

# WAR-IN A THOUSAND MILES OF MUD

By RONALD MATTHEWS

### On The Abyssinian Frontier.

BLUE in the distance, across the green tree-dotted plain that changes to a crumbly red on the horizon, rise the surly mountains of Abyssinia.

And here, from the headquarters of a British unit in the "front line" I am able to give the first eye-witness account of the siege operations which are being conducted to-day against Italy's East African Empire.

At present, the campaign must remain at the tempo of patient blockade enlivened by an occasional raid.

For almost the entire thousand miles of the Sudan-Abyssinian border have been turned into the likeness of a football ground after a heavy match on a pouring day.

The regular seasonal rains began three weeks ago, and though they are not continuous they are so persistent that large-scale operations requiring any kind of transport would be the wildest gamble till mid-September.

As evening approaches, the sky becomes overcast with heavy slate-grey clouds like an English summer, and the eastward horizon towards Abyssinia, which gives us our weather, is one constant flicker of lightning.

When it comes—and it has come every other day this week—the downpour is torrential and the earth turns to a clogging mud which is impassable not only for cars but even for camels.

So a force which ventured on a big advance would almost certainly sooner or later find itself bogged and cut off.

The headquarters from which I am writing is located in a circular native hut of the type known as a takul—bee-hive villages of takuls are scattered all over the landscape.

Its walls as well as the roof are made of straw, and the conical thatch rises to a topknot like the hat Garbo wore in "Ninotchka."

Pump white hens wander over the earth floor between the legs of trestle tables, on which lie a typewriter, a couple of rolls of maps, and half a dozen cardboard files of telegrams, orders and dispatches.

Round the tall lamps after nightfall gathers a hum of insects that drop in your lap or plop on your shoulder like continuous shrapnel fire and which squat brown toads hunt over the floor with darting tongues.

### "Pinprick" Pushes

Outside, slim mimosa trees or neams, which resemble the African ash, are dotted as in parkland.

Their upper branches are a flutter with long-legged storks or prosperous egrets, their plumage as unbelievably white as packets on a Christmas tree.

Beneath this busy shade are camouflaged by daytime the forces which are carrying out a "pinprick" campaign against the Italian garrison of Kassala down the new cut railway to Port Sudan.

Who are the men who are waging this war? Well—brown and aquiline, or black and broad-nosed, they are the Arab or Negro troopers of the Sudan Defence Force.

Many of them did not wear a stitch of clothing before enlistment, and few of them knew one end of a car from the other.

To-day, under a handful of British officers, they are driving armoured vehicles, manning machine-guns, working a crawling field radio.

They are extremely proud of their crash helmets, and not only wear them all day long, but sleep in them. British officers, hand-picked from

curtain of fire across the Channel and establishing what he believes is his air supremacy, the enemy will attempt invasion by troop transports reinforced by paratroops. The air supremacy he envisages will only exist in his own imagination, for there is no indication that it is being won. Any sea passage of troops must reckon with the Royal Navy, which will not be deterred from its task no matter what the nature of the barrage laid down across the Channel.

The Germans are heading for their most tragic discovery, that is tragic for them, if they believe that their air bombardments are crushing the soul of the British people. "We are ready and waiting for Hitler," the British people have said for months past. That is their spirit of resolution. In the lexicon of the Motherland there is no such word as "fall" in the crisis that she faces.

## RUNNING COMMENTARY



Mussolini has congratulated the Italian Navy on its "magnificent victory over the British Fleet."

## AN AIRMAN'S LETTER

Flying Officer Anthony Gray Worcester, hero of the aerial battle of July 4, when his flight of five Gladiators fought and shot down nine Italian Fiat Cr. 42s in the Western Desert, has been killed in a flying accident.

He was returning from the front line with his flight in thick cloud. He left the formation and dived through the cloud to discover their position.

Unfortunately the mist stretched right down to the ground level and Flying Officer Worcester was unable to pull the aircraft out of the dive in time and he crashed. Thus ended the short but glorious war career of a typical Royal Air Force pilot whose spirit lives on in a letter written to his mother on his return from his first and highly successful aerial combat.

The following is an extract from his letter:—

"I wonder if your psychic gift told you what was happening between 6 and 6.15 this evening as it has about other great days in my life. For today, one of the greatest ambitions of my life has been fulfilled.

"I was involved in an air battle with the enemy for the first time. It seems that Providence went out of its way to fill my cup of joy, for it was the type of engagement which every fighter pilot dreams about and longs for but seldom gets in these days—fighter v. fighter in a dog-fight spread all over the sky—each man for himself.

"About 6 o'clock this evening I led five of our fighters into action against nine Italian fighters over their own aerodrome. The whole thing only lasted about six minutes, although it seemed like half an hour. We shot down the whole nine and I had the luck to account for four of them. Our chaps put up a wonderful show and we had no losses.

"Do you remember this film Dawn Patrol? The atmosphere was just the same, and to add to the drama we were sitting round our mess camp when a shot was fired, and a man was brought in. The poor fellow was dead, white and had obviously resigned himself to anything. We gave him a drink, some cigarettes, and some food which he wolfed, poor chap.

"I am dead tired, dirty, and unshaven, but otherwise in great spirits. I do hope this gets to you soon, knowing how you wait for it all the time, as any success of mine means so much to you. You know how I have waited all my life for something like this, and now it has happened. I can hardly believe it. I am most grateful for the luck and opportunity that has been given me."

Flying Officer Worcester was 23 years of age, commissioned in January, 1938, and trained as a fighter pilot in England. He was an only son, his mother being a widow well known by many in Hongkong.

### Warthog With Beans

It is not so hard to learn what is going on at Kassala, the Sudan frontier town captured by an Italian "blitz" attack.

The source of information is a trickle of escaped prisoners, civil and military, who have been streaming back to the British lines since the Italian capture.

From their accounts it seems evident that the Italians are extremely anxious about a British counter-attack.

They reduced the garrison strikingly after the capture, one officer explaining somewhat mysteriously that the troops were being recalled to repel a British attack on Addis Ababa—a phrase which suggests that trouble may be spreading to the very heart of Abyssinia. They have now increased the garrison heavily till it has reached 10,000.

One prisoner who escaped from Kassala noticed the Britons tearing up tracks to prevent a surprise. He exclaimed: "Why, the Italians are doing exactly the same on their side."

Then we are getting our ration regularly from the rear, though the officers prefer to shoot their meals. Lunch to-day was an admirable war-thog with beans.

For dinner there was a gazelle. Have not yet ventured to try the crocodile which the second-in-command barged yesterday in a nearby river. Since being killed this crocodile has lengthened from 17 to 23 feet.

### Italians Short Of Food

On the other hand the Italians, as soon as they entered Kassala, fell ravenously on every local store of grain or any other food. They are now living on the meat of camels—black and white storks, which even the natives do not regard as clean food.

For General Faruqi's troops do not venture more than a few hundred yards outside their defences. And inside Abyssinia, which had to buy grain heavily from the Sudan before the war, supplies are none too plentiful.

What is Kassala about anyway, and the battle for it which they are still discussing here?

It is a settlement of a few hundred takuls, with Government buildings, a post office, Greek merchants' stores and the homes of the few British officials—in brick or stone—a European quarter about the size of a small English hamlet.

East of it rise the brown basalt before the concentrated Sudanese camps of the Jebel Kassala and the fire into which the Italian white phlegms which not a soul there could read.

That is why since the Gaab is unread, once with Arabic pamphlets bridged it was planned before the protesting that the Italians do not war to evacuate Kassala as soon as wish to make war on the Sudan. The letter was somewhat less convincing, since it was preceded by a shower of bombs, which though very armoured units that prompted the leaving of a tiny Sudanese garrison.

That was the position when the Italians launched a dawn attack just before the rains with two brigades. The troops included cavalry and tanks and—for more important—were supported by aircraft.

There is little doubt among Britons that though the Italians outnumbered the defenders by nearer 20 than 10 to one, they would have been repelled if Kassala had been of sufficient strategic importance to evacuation was the best course.

And here comes the amazing part of the story, which would seem to show that with a few more successes the British lines like this the Italians would be played out. Though they dropped hundreds of bombs in the course of the day, there was not a single air casualty among the defenders.

All the might of tanks, machine-guns, cavalry and artillery claimed only five Sudanese casualties, though a very conservative estimate puts the Italian losses at 500.

### Abdul's Sleepy Guard

This conservative estimate was not that of Abdul, a coat-black Sudanese from the Nuba mountains, whom I saw a few hours after his escape from capture following the

Of many gestures with which he punctuated his smiling tale, the most frequent was a snap of the fingers—each snap signifying an enemy killed.

And he continued snapping his fingers with machine-gun rapidity for pretty nearly a quarter of an hour.

Abdul escaped when an askari was detailed to take him to the river for a wash. He fell asleep doing so, and Abdul made his way through the lines by the now popular trick of doffing all his garments but his loincloth and posing as a local cultivator going out to the fields.

He was not the only newcomer at British headquarters. Another was a little less dusky deserter from the Italian lines, who has displayed such destitution of his former masters that he has now been recruited into the Sudanese ranks.

And there must be many like him in the Kassala garrison, for he told how on mobilisation the Italians rounded up every coloured man found in the town of Gondar, not only Abyssinian but visiting Sudanese, giving arms to men some of whom had never held them before.

### Bombs And Pamphlets

That reluctant morale is very different from that of the Sudanese at Kassala, who, when ordered to fall back, exclaimed petulantly: "Fall back? Why, that is just what the officials—in brick or stone—are to be doing!"

And they were falling back indeed before the concentrated Sudanese camps of the Jebel Kassala and the fire into which the Italian white phlegms which not a soul there could read.

For the moment Italian sorties are confined to occasional air raids. They fly high on these, and favourite marks seem to be the beehive villages of River Gaab which, dry in winter, flows in the rainy season so fiercely galled and women and children that it practically cuts Kassala off from the railway and the west of the phlegms which not a soul there could read.

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## PLEA OF GUILTY

Pleading guilty to a charge of wounding Prison Officer E. S. Franks with intent to cause him grievous bodily harm at Stanley Prison on June 26, Li Chua-lam, 26, an inmate of the Gaol, was sentenced to three and half years' hard labour by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Li, who was stated to have stabbed Mr. Franks twice in the back with a knife, told the Court that Mr. Franks had accused him of indecency after he had asked to be excused for a few minutes.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, pointed out that Mr. Franks had been discharged from hospital but had since returned there for further treatment. Whether the injuries would be permanent or not, he was not in a position to say.

### Another Case

"You can count yourself lucky that you are not here for murder," said His Lordship to Lau Fong-kin, 47, travelling trader, who pleaded guilty to a charge of wounding Chan Fung, 30, farmer, with intent to do him grievous bodily harm, at Tsan Wan.

Lau said he committed the act in revenge for Chan taking away his wife and son.

Mr. Murphy told His Lordship that the attack was an extremely savage one. Chan had fully recovered and it was now badly marked. There were altogether seven wounds, any one of which might have proved fatal.

## SOVIET-RUSSIA AND RUMANIA

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—The Rumanian Government has prohibited Rumanian aircraft from flying over territory bordering the Russo-Rumanian demarcation line, and has instructed frontier troops not to use violence except in case of deliberate violation of Rumanian territory.

This statement is said by the German radio to have been contained in the Rumanian note replying to the Soviet protest of August 28.

The note says that the Rumanian Government is inspired by a desire to maintain friendly and neighbourly relations with the Soviet Union.

## "WATER BUSES" ON THAMES

LONDON, Sept. 16 (British Wireless).—The service of "water buses" on the Thames introduced in the last few days to relieve congestion on other transport services through the temporary disorganisation of a few routes as the result of enemy bombing has proved highly popular.

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## Negro Aviator Wants to Duel with Goering

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (UP).—Field Marshal Goering has accepted a challenge to an air duel at 10,000 feet over the English Channel, according to Harlem's "Black Eagle," Colonel Hubert Fauntleroy Julian.

The negro aviator asserts that the duel will occur within thirty days.

"I'm going to machine-gun that lousy creature out of this life," the Black Eagle declared. "I have a life to give and I will give it gladly."

Julian said he cabled the challenge to Goering when he read Hitler's "Mein Kampf" in which he said the Fuehrer insulted the Negro race as "half apes and baboons and niggers."

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## SPAIN'S MISSION

Gentle Hint By Senor Suner

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—"Spain's position at present is one of non-belligerency but that must not be interpreted as disinterestedness," said Senor Suner, the Spanish Minister of the Interior, in an interview with the "Voelkscher Beobachter," says the Berlin official news agency.

He continued: "Spain has her mission in the new order in Europe and when the right moment comes the leaders in Spain will give the order for action."

As regards the Spanish Empire, he said: "Spain has no demands on Europe since the word demand could be applied to what would really be restitution."

Natural Policy

Earlier in the interview Senor Suner said his visit to Germany was a sign that Spain was remaining true to her natural policy.

"We have warned off those who formerly attempted to be our masters and now we are free. In that we are not alone in Europe and that Empire which we have declared to be the aim of our policy cannot be realised by us alone. It demands the harmony of other nations."

"Nobody need be surprised that in an hour when we see ourselves surrounded by those who are the victims of the same impulse as we."

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## Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/27 1/2
Demand London	1/27 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	403
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	105
T.T. India	32 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	21 1/2
T.T. Manila	43 1/2
T.T. Batavia	40 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/2
T.T. Saigon	95 1/2
T.T. France	Nom.
T.T. Switzerland	94 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/8 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	22 1/2
30 d/s India	Nom.
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.04

## Lucky Escape For Family

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—A family in a south-east town had a very lucky escape during a German raid on Sunday night.

They had just completed the erection of their Anderson shelter that evening. When the alarm sounded, they went into it.

A short while later a bomb demolished their house but the shelter was untouched at the edge of the crater. No one was hurt.

## FLOATING MINE

A floating mine has been reported seen in position Latitude 20° 01' North, Longitude 122° 23' East in an hour when we see ourselves surrounded by those who are the victims of the same impulse as we."

Willing Response To Raid Victims' Fund

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—£15,000 was subscribed to the Lord Mayor of Sydney's Fund for the relief of London within a few minutes to-day.

The Lord Mayor of Britain has called another £25,000 from the United Provinces has sent a lakh of rupees.

The War Savings movement in India reports that savings in August 1940 reached over £60,000, bringing the total since May to over £205,000.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1—Young hogs	10—Brazilian macaw
2—Compound of glycerol and acetic acid	11—Periodic rise and fall of water
3—Small dog	12—Medicinal plant
4—Blasphemous	13—Crude oil of tartar
5—Daughter of Mink	14—Chicken house
6—King of Crete	15—Small island
7—One who steals well	16—Make levy upon
8—Game of cards	17—Leaking in ambition
9—Life span	18—Yielded as profit
10—Let fire to	19—Crude oil of tartar
11—Kind of flower	20—Units of energy
12—Referring to sea	21—In addition
13—Narrow strip of paper	22—Small horse
14—Vicious indignation	23—European tree
15—Maligade	24—Cart-like birds of South America
16—Lately stop	25—Writing instrument
17—Lately stop	26—Weapon for discharging missiles
18—Lately stop	27—Referring to sea
19—Lately stop	28—Referring to sea
20—Lately stop	29—Artificial ivory
21—Lately stop	30—Three-way pipe connection
22—Lately stop	31—Barred enclosure
23—Lately stop	32—Do again
24—Lately stop	33—Time who tell
25—Lately stop	34—Revolving parts
26—Lately stop	35—Section of army
27—Lately stop	36—Brazilian macaw
28—Lately stop	37—Periodic rise and fall of water
29—Lately stop	38—Medicinal plant
30—Lately stop	39—Crude oil of tartar
31—Lately stop	40—Chicken house
32—Lately stop	41—Small island
33—Lately stop	42—Make levy upon
34—Lately stop	43—Leaking in ambition
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91—Lately stop	100—Chicken house

## Waterloo Road Flat Fire

Slight Damage

Awakened by the smell of something burning on the floor, Mr. E. Scarle, residing on the first floor of No. 92 Waterloo Road, investigated, and found a fire had broken out among the chairs in the drawing room.

A call was put through for the Fire Brigade, and two engines from the Kewton Fire Station were on the scene within a few minutes. The fire was under control in a short time.

The fire is believed to have been caused by a cigarette end falling on to the furniture.

## Flag Day For Loss Of Tea

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—A large sum of money has been collected in a Cape Province, South Africa, flag day to replace the tea recently destroyed by fire in Britain.

It was announced at the time that the loss of the tea owing to fire would not affect the tea ration in Britain, nevertheless the South Africans' most practical gift is received most gratefully.

## Duke Of Windsor's Message To King

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—The Duke of Windsor, in a message to their Majesties after the bombing of Buckingham Palace, expressed on behalf of the Government and the people of the Bahamas his "deep sense of relief for the escape of your Majesties from the recent grave danger to which you have been exposed."

Similar messages have been received from all parts of the Colonial Empire.

## GANDHI'S DECISION

Leaves Way Open For Negotiation

SIMLA, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Gandhi's address to the All-India Congress Committee in Bombay yesterday is interpreted here as indicating that the immediate question of relations between Congress and the Government of India is not regarded by Gandhi as having been determined with any finality.

The fact that he is prepared again to see the Viceroy suggests that he is willing to explore the position further.

### Conciliatory Aspects

The resolution passed by the Congress working Committee yesterday is recognised as possessing certain conciliatory aspects while Gandhi's definite assertion that there is no question of mass civil disobedience has created considerable interest.

The decision of Congress to invest Gandhi with full powers will, it is felt in official quarters here, tend to obviate the possibility of any abrupt action by Congress that would lead to a complete break with the Government of India.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

H.K. Banks \$	1310 n
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H.K. Banks (H.K.) £	72 n
Chartered £	x d 9 1/2 n
Mercantile, A & B £	27 1/2 n
Mercantile, C & D £	11 1/2 n
East Asia £	72 n
<b>INSURANCES</b>	
Canton \$	192 b
Union \$	405 n
China Underwriters	1 n
H.K. Fire \$	150 b
<b>SHIPPING</b>	
Douglases \$	120 n
Steamships \$	11 n
Indo-China P. \$	100 n
Indo-China D. \$	80 n
Shell (charter) \$	36 1/2 n
Waterfronts \$ & d	9 90 n
<b>DOCKS ETC.</b>	
Wharves \$	91 n
Docks (old) \$	17 s
Docks (new) \$	10 1/4 n
Providents \$	4 b
Shui Dockyard \$	35 n
<b>MINING</b>	
Kailan \$	15 1/2 n
Kailan \$	9 55 n
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 cts. s
<b>LANDS</b>	
Hotels \$	3 35 s
Lands \$	30 1/4 b
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n
Shui Lands Sh \$	12 n
Hampden \$	7 00 b
H.K. Realities \$	3 40 n
<b>CHINA ESTATES</b>	
Chinese Estates \$	101 1/2 n
<b>UTILITIES</b>	
Trams \$	15 70 b
Peak Trams (old) \$	7 40 n
Peak Trams (new) \$	3 70 n
Yee Ferry \$	60 n
Yee Ferry \$	21 1/2 n
China Lights (old) \$	4 1/2 b
China Lights (new) \$	4 n
H.K. Electric (old) \$	37 1/2 n
H.K. Electric (new) \$	37 1/2 n
Macao Electric (old) \$	17 n
Macao Electric (new) \$	10 n
Sandakan Lights \$	11 1/2 n
Telephones (old) \$	23 1/4 b
Telephones (new) \$	8 1/4 b
<b>INDUSTRIALS</b>	
Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. \$	14 00 n
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. \$	12 n
Canton Ice \$	1 n
Cement \$	1 n
H.K. Ropes \$	9 1/2 n
<b>STORES, &amp;c.</b>	
Dairy Farms \$	18 1/2 n
Watsons \$	9 n
Lane Crawfords \$	7 45 n
Sinceres \$	2 15 n
Wing On (H.K.) \$	39 n
Powell Ltd. \$	1 n



# FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP HEATS TO-DAY

## Chan Chun-nam Threatens Half-mile Record

### Satisfactory Entries

(By "Ripple")

FIRST HEATS for the swimming championships of the Colony will be held this evening in the Victoria Recreation Club pool. These, however, will only be for three of the five championship events that are on the schedule, for in the women's 100 yards back-stroke and the women's 200 yards free-style relay there are five and three entries respectively, and as there are five lanes in the pool, heats should not be necessary.

Events this evening, therefore, will be the men's 220 yards free-style, the women's 50 yards free-style and the men's 100 yards breast-stroke.

The list of entries were published recently, and the first event—the 220 yards free-style—may see the first meeting between Chan Chun-nam and Ng Nin (depending on the draw), while the return of Mak Wai-ming to the championships should add a little more to the current interest.

Chan Chun-nam, while training on Sunday, was unfortunate to miscount the number of lengths in 880 yards. He was timed at 10 mins. 42 secs. for 880 yards, and if he had continued he would undoubtedly have broken W. Lawrence's record of 11 mins. 47 secs. Lawrence, incidentally, has only entered himself for the 100 yards back-stroke, but the gap that his absence may have caused will be more than filled by the anticipated competition between the Chinese swimmers. This is so strong that, apart from the back-stroke, I doubt if Lawrence could be anywhere near confident of success.

To-day's programme will be (championship events):

Men's 220 yards free-style, Ng Nin, Charles Huang, Chan Chun-nam, Mak Wai-ming, Young Cheong-wah and Lau Tai-ping.

Women's 50 yards free-style, Miss I. Lopez, Miss V. Churn, Miss D. Weir, Miss Ko Mui-ling, Miss J. Anderson, Miss P. Lo, Miss C. Ho and Miss Ho Wai-king.

Men's 100 yards breast-stroke, Ng Nin, L. M. Remedios, Fong Chung-yiu, Enrique Chaine, Ho Poon-kun and Kung Sau-shek.

THESE may well be regarded as a preview of the championships proper. Charles Huang is fresh from his success in Shanghai, but neither his style nor his times are impressive. He won the furlong race up north in 2 mins. 44 secs, swimming in a 60-yard pool. But even reducing that time to one in a 25-yard pool could not bring him within the 2 mins. 22 secs. or under, which is the Ng Nin and Chan Chun-nam class.

For the women's 50 yards, I anticipate a win for Miss Churn, but only on Sunday, too, Miss Ko Mui-ling was clocked at 32½ secs! This is about Miss Churn's time no one can look forward to an excellent race there.

The men's breast-stroke will see the butterfly against the normal stroke. It is indeed pleasurable to see that Enrique Chaine, Colony breast-stroke record holder, will be defending his title. I don't know whether Chaine has adopted the butterfly stroke, but if he hasn't his

## SPORTS ADVT.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 21st September, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all bills, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1, Boy (Tel. 21920).

#### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,

Actg. Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1940.

## LEAGUE CRICKET TO CARRY ON

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Racial Factor

Sir,—We all know that Portugal is in Europe, and we also do know that being descendants of such people who came out here years and years ago, we still cling to and pride ourselves as being PORTUGUESE, but like many others, I can only call myself as being MACAENESE.

Perhaps "Portuguese European" is one of those who can trace his or her family tree, but not me, and am still proud to be known as a Macaene. Indeed we are all here registered as Portuguese, but I am sure many will agree with me not in the sense as claimed by "Portuguese European."

LOCAL.

### Airmen Beat Gunners With Miniature Rifles

An interesting competition was held at the R.A.F. Station, Kai Tak, on Sunday last between teams of the H.K.S.R.A. Sergeants' Mess Rifle Club and R.A.F. Rifle Club, in which each competitor shot with a 22 B.S.A. match rifle and a rifle "as issued" with 22 Morris tube.

The targets used were of the standard 22 yard 5-ball S.M.R.C. "lighter card" pattern, ten rounds deliberate being fired at each card.

	Open	Peep
	Right	Left
P. O. Gray	78	95
W. O. Tolson	74	76
Mr. Evans	50	50
Cpl. Berry	50	50
Cpl. Henley	49	50
Cpl. Gash	78	95
	446	571
Total	1017	
H.K.S.R.A.		
Sgt. M. S. Barmen	34	58
Sgt. Bromley	30	74
Sgt. Shire	20	43
Sgt. Maloney	33	63
Sgt. Lewis	53	57
Sgt. Williams	50	54
	274	401
Total	675	

## Similar Programme As For Past Season

### FIRST MATCHES IN JANUARY

"I WOULD congratulate Hongkong if you could keep cricket going and run the League through the conditions of the next few months" were the approving words of Major Petrie, Army representative at the Hongkong Cricket League meeting yesterday, when it was indicated that there would be ample support from the Clubs for the continuance of the usual annual competitions.

Much as the Army would desire to enter the League, continued Major Petrie, he thought it would be better not to because they were unable to guarantee that they could fulfil their fixtures. Army sides would, however, continue to appear in friendly matches.

With the withdrawal of the Army side, six Clubs were still left who were in favour of the Senior Division of the League, and seven voted for the continuance of the Second Division.

Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, who was later re-elected President, was in the Chair, and was supported by Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell, vice-President, and Mr. A. H. Madur, Hon. Secretary, both of whom were re-elected.

#### The Entries

THE discussion of the League was the main subject of the meeting and an early vote showed that the majority of Clubs were in favour of the continuance of the League. These Clubs, and the number of teams, were:

	1st Div.	2nd Div.
Club de Recreio	1	1
Kowloon C.C.	1	1
Indian R.C.	1	1
Craigengower C.C.	1	1
Civil Service C.C.	1	1
H.K. University	1	1
Police	1	1
Total	6	7

#### Golf

### F. Buckle Qualifies For Adamson Cup

F. Buckle, with a score of 80-12-68, qualified for the Adamson Cup during the September Qualifying Competition at Happy Valley, which was held from September 8 to 10.

### Further Shanghai Records Broken

As the final curtain rang down on the swimming season at the Foreign "Y" pool on Sept. 7, two more Shanghai records were established. Jackie Lumadine breaking the 150 yards medley swim mark, and Dorrie Gray clocking a 10-year-old figure in the Ladies' 50 yards breast-stroke. Lumadine clocked a fast time of 1 minute 52 seconds to beat the old official record by 5-4/5 seconds, while Dorrie Gray exceeded by one-fifth of a second the old mark of 39-4/5 seconds for the breast-stroke.

Other champions crowned were:

Youthful Bob Hekking in the 100 yards free-style, who was timed in 58-4/5 seconds, and "Jappy" Grilik and his wife, who swept through in the men's and ladies' diving championship.

### Major Baseball

## Indians Maintain Slight Lead

### Tigers Threaten Again

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (UP).—Cleveland Indians, though sharing honours with the Philadelphia Athletics in a double-header to-day maintain a slight lead in the American League over the Detroit Tigers, who threaten again following their victory over the Washington Senators.

Scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
	R	H	E	F
Philadelphia	3	6	1	0
Battery: Ross, Haynes, Wagner	3	6	1	0
Cleveland	2	5	0	0
Battery: Harder, Pytlak	2	5	0	0
Philadelphia	3	7	0	0
Battery: Babich, Haynes	3	7	0	0
Cleveland	2	5	0	0
Battery: Eisenstat, Dobson, Hemmley	2	5	0	0
Washington	2	5	2	0
Battery: Kraskauskas, Haynes, Carrasquel, Ferrell	2	5	2	0
Detroit	9	11	0	0
Battery: Newson, Tebbetts	9	11	0	0
New York	4	8	3	0
Battery: Russo, Hadley, Gomez, Sundra, Dickey	4	8	3	0
St. Louis	10	15	2	0
Battery: Kennedy, Swift	10	15	2	0
Boston	0	9	0	0
Battery: Wilson, Dosaults	0	9	0	0
Chicago	2	5	5	0
Battery: Dietrich, Appleton, Brown, Tresh	2	5	5	0

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R	H	E	F
Cincinnati	4	9	0	0
Battery: Thomson, Beggs, Wilson, Baker	4	9	0	0
Brooklyn	3	10	1	0
Battery: Davis, Frank	3	10	1	0
(Ten Innings were played)				
Pittsburgh	7	7	1	0
Battery: Dutcher, M. Brown, Klingner, Davis	7	7	1	0
New York	6	7	1	0
Battery: Lourman, Carpenter, Lynn, Danning	6	7	1	0
St. Louis	7	8	0	0
Battery: Hutchinson, Owen	7	8	0	0
Philadelphia	1	0	1	0
Battery: Frye, Masterson, Warren	1	0	1	0

chances of holding his title are slim, but I'm glad that hasn't prevented him from entering.

VERSATILE Ng Nin is out for wide competition. His seven events are all the free-style distances and the breast-stroke and back-stroke. If he can live up to the reputation that has been built around him, he should be a six-fold champion at the end of the meeting.

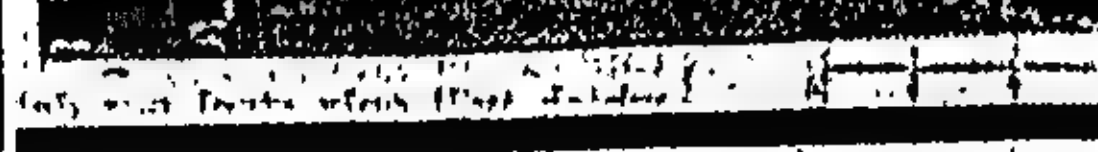
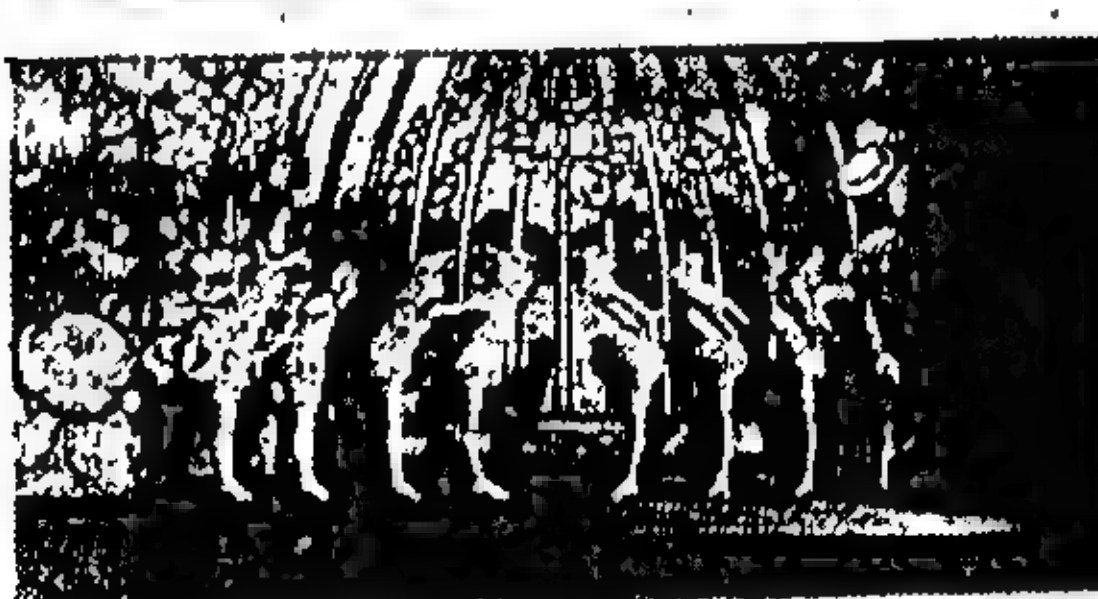
He won't have everything his own way in the 50 yards dash, however, for there are David Hutchinson, Ng Tsun-man and D. H. Taylor to be reckoned with.

But speaking generally of the coming events, expectations are high. If records are broken such won't be anything unanticipated.

Then following close upon the heels of the championships is the meet with the Philippines. But that is subject for discussion in another article.

## HERE ARE SOME SCENES FROM THE MAGICAL REVUE

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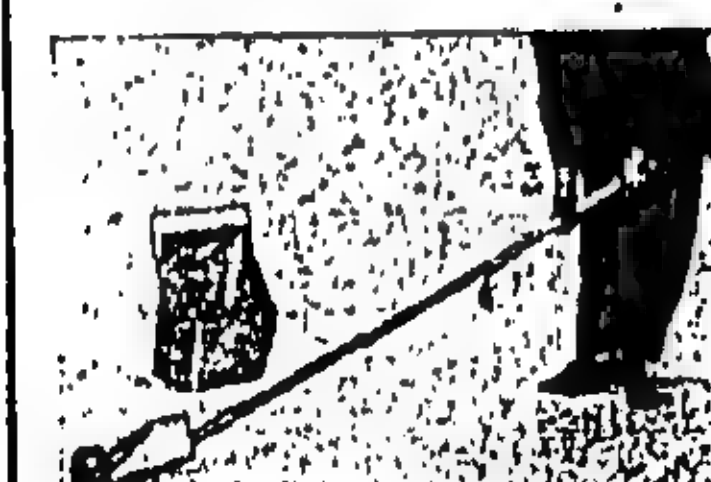
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## From Coast to Coast England's Shores are Stripped for War WE ARE READY FOR THE BLITZKRIEG WHENEVER HITLER LIKES TO COME

By Our Special Correspondent, Richard Capell Somewhere in England.

THE NAVY THE ARMY AND THE AIR FORCE HAVE IN THE LAST FEW DAYS BEEN OUR HOSTS ON THE SHORES THEY ARE DEFENDING—THE HOSTS, THAT IS, OF A NUMBER OF CORRESPONDENTS NOW BACK AFTER A WINTER AND SPRING SPENT ABROAD WITH ONE OR ANOTHER OF THE ARMIES IN FRANCE.

By the headlong, fateful course of events in May and June the war has come nearer home.

And the experience we had had in the winter of being shown the defences of France along the Scheldt, Moselle, and Saar, and in the hills of the Ardennes and the Vosges has this week been translated into the terms of the English scene.

There is no denying that it brings a pang. To travel across a certain county from its inland border to the coast is to see the grip of the necessities of war hardening every few miles until, on the seashore itself, all normal life has stopped.

Beaches which a year ago were the children's delight are desolate.

### Pang And Pride

It brings a pang. But the altered and stern face of England that looks out to sea instead, too, a feeling of pride.

That face can only appear formidable to the foreigner on the other side, and every week that passes, every day, adds purpose to its frown.

Every week, every day, our shores and cliffs and the land behind bristle more and more effectively with men and arms.

While the forsaken gardens of the seaside villas run wild there are gardeners of another sort who are working indefatigably.

When happier times return they will be, and to have left substantial memorials of this grim year to interest holiday-makers on the English beaches, memorials if not beautiful in themselves, at least as curious as the Martello towers that have so long remained to call to mind to carefree generations an old menacing tyranny heroically withstood.

What form these additions to the flower beds of the promenade and the cliff walks take exactly is best left undescribed.

But all who are still living a soft, indulgent life should in all decency give a thought to those who, the fighters of to-morrow, are to-day navying in the defence of us all.

They are in their thousands on thousands sweating to do in a day the work of two.

### All Together

One impression of the week is of the collaboration between the services. Landmen and seamen are learning to know one another better than ever before in the defence of Britain.

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## New Drug '760' Used In Vain Bid To Save Boy

REACTION to a new drug known as "760," extensively used in America but which has been on the British market only a fortnight, was said at an inquest at Walthamstow, E., to have caused the death of ten-year-old David Zussman, of Belvedere-road, Leyton.

The drug "760" is a compound in the same group as the famous "M & B 693," which for two years now has been used successfully for pneumonia.

A representative of the British makers of "760" told me yesterday that the drug is a development of the same drug, prontosil, from which "693" was derived.

It is used for much the same conditions, but has a much wider range of action against various organisms, and also causes less nausea, he said.

Take staphylococcus, for instance. That is an organism which invades the blood stream. "760" is very active against it; "693" is relatively inactive in this case.

"Although '760' has been on the British market only for about a fortnight, it has been used under

observation in clinics here for some time. The results have been good. It has been successful, too, in America.

### The Only Failure

"You cannot obtain it without a doctor's prescription. It costs 3d a tablet, and is usually taken over a few days.

"When the patient is unconscious, or when the infection is difficult to focus, '760' is administered, diluted, by injection.

"The only deaths when '760' was used clinically were after its administration at a time when the patient was already too ill for its help.

It was said at the inquest on David Zussman that he died one and a half hours after the administration of the drug. He had an infection of the blood stream.

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was recorded.



## UP THE SPOUT

"You're same and college, Sir?"

"Digby, Sir, St. Marks."

"I watched your recent exploits Mr. Digby—it had a certain element of daring."

"Yes, Sir."

"But no element of originality."

"No, Sir."

"It will be necessary to send workmen up in the morning to remove the object—not without some danger to life and limb."

"Yes, Sir."

"From your appearance and your manner Mr. Digby, I assume that you are celebrating some event of great

importance—some outstanding academic achievement no doubt."

"Yes, Sir."

"H'm—my advice, Sir, is that you retire to bed immediately, having first taken a long draught of Rose's Lime Juice. Its therapeutic effects may help you to face the wrath to come in the morning."

"Thank you, Sir."

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"Good night, Sir."



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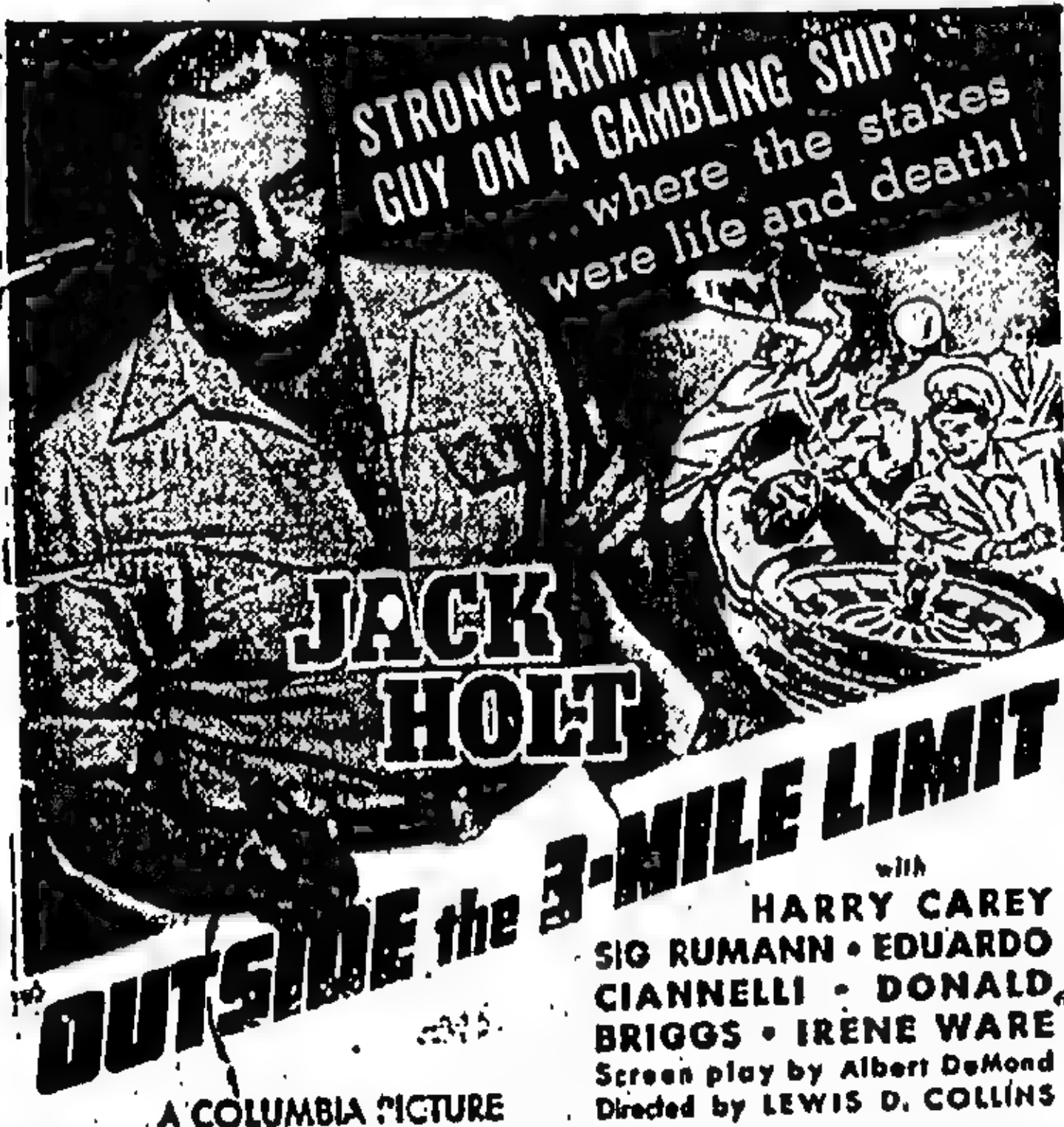


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## R.A.F. IN ACTION CONVOYS RAIDED

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casualties during last night's attacks on London was a little greater than on recent nights but much less than in the first attacks on the capital.

Outside London, casualties were very few but some were fatal. It is now known that two enemy bombers were shot down by our fighters during the night.

There has been little enemy activity during the day. About 8 a.m. a force of enemy aircraft crossed the coast of Kent in cloudy conditions but was turned back by A.A. fire without encountering our fighters.

Later in the day, enemy aircraft singly or in small numbers crossed the coast at several points. A few bombs were dropped on various parts of the country, but damage is reported to be slight and the number of casualties small.

## CAIRO: Enemy Harassed From Air

Although the main enemy forces appear to be consolidating their position round Sollum, strong elements of armoured fighting vehicles are now in contact with our advanced troops about Bahariya.

Throughout yesterday the enemy was successfully harassed by the R.A.F. and artillery fire from our mobile guns.

## SNOBBERY TRIP

FROM PAGE ONE

pressed astonishment that private and officers of the Australian Army mixed freely.

The Sydney "Sun" reports that the trip down to Australia became a race with time with many bets laid whether the ship's passenger list of 910 would increase to 911. A baby was born a few hours after the arrival in Sydney.

Officers praised the behaviour of the crew and the "Sun" said: "But even a few grey hairs to show for the trip," one officer said.

The most amused people in Sydney now says the Social Editor of the "Sun" are women enquiring from Hongkong what is going on some of them are asking about Australian rationed rationing as many pairs of stockings as they could before they embarked. They were told they could buy nothing under a guinea a pair in Australia.

FROM PAGE ONE

the Dutch coast by a Hudson aircraft which dived on the nearest large ship and sank it with bombs.

Then the Hudson pilot machine-gunned an armed trawler and thoroughly machine-gunned an E-boat which was escorting the convoy.

**One Direct Hit**

The second German ship was stationary off the Dutch coast when it was attacked by another patrolling Hudson at dawn to-day. The pilot dived on one ship in semi-darkness and let go three bombs, one of which at least struck home, for the Hudson was peppered with splinters from the ship which is believed to have sunk.

Last night's attacks on concentrations of German vessels at Channel ports were made by waves of Blenheims. Two ships were damaged when the Blenheims attacked in convoy off Sangatte near Calais but the main attack was reserved for Le Havre where the pilots of the first wave of Blenheims saw four large ships moored alongside the deep-water quay.

## Salvoes of Bombs

Repeated salvoes of bombs struck squarely on the quay and there were fires when the Blenheims flew away. Pilots in the second wave made the attack in bright moonlight which clearly outlined the quays beside which were dark shadows.

Amid intense anti-aircraft fire, the Blenheims dived over the harbour and bombed systematically. The bombs burst among the ships and direct hits were seen on the pier and quays.

Damaged ships, shattered masonry and store-houses were the results of the bombing.

## U.S. Lends \$42,750,000 To Plane Makers They Will Help Britain

An advance of 121,000,000 dollars (\$42,750,000) to manufacturers of planes and munitions for the extension of plant is to be made by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, it was announced in Washington.

An official of the corporation said the capacity of the factories included in the scope of the advance would be extended to such a vast extent that British orders for aircraft could be fulfilled without interfering with the needs of United States defence.

## BERLIN AIRPORT HIT & DAMAGED

FROM PAGE ONE

docks at Antwerp (as on the night before), where great fleets of barges and many ships had been accumulated during recent weeks.

The raid began at 10.30 p.m. G.M.T. and was kept up for nearly three hours.

Favoured by bright moonlight in the early stages of the attack, the bombers despite fierce opposition from the ground defences got through to their objectives and played havoc.

Barges were struck, set ablaze, and exploded in flashes of flame which lit up the whole docks.

**Mass of Flames**

By 12.30 a.m. one of the main wharves was a mass of flames. Other growing fires could be seen in all parts of the docks.

Still the attack went on, the later aircraft straddling the dock basins, jetties and shipping.

An hour later when the last raider left the blazing dock, the glow of fires could be seen many miles out to sea.

In Ostend, shipping and docks were subjected to a series of intermittent raids by heavy and medium bombers over a period of four hours, during which what appeared to be a large transport vessel was struck and burned to the water.

**Serious Effect of Raids**

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuters).—Intensified R.A.F. attacks on German invasion bases and feeding lines are considered to have seriously retarded the completion of preparations for an invasion, writes a "Press Association" air correspondent.

Should an invasion be attempted, it is recognised that Britain must expect an attack on inland centres and towns on a more formidable scale than so far made.

Not only has material destruction been wrought on the invasion ports and elsewhere by Britain's bombers but some confusion is caused in the necessarily complex administrative arrangements.

Loading and marshalling men, the embarkation of the right men and materials in the right boats and barges have been disorganised. All this, however, has not prevented altogether an increase in German aircraft units.

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## Successor To Late Rep. Bankhead

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuters). The House of Representatives, by acclamation, to-day elected Representative Hayburn, of Texas, its Speaker in succession to the late Mr. William B. Bankhead.

Speaker Bankhead to-day was given an impressive state funeral at which President Roosevelt was present with members of the Cabinet, Congress and Supreme Court as well as Speaker Bankhead's actress daughter, Talullah Bankhead.

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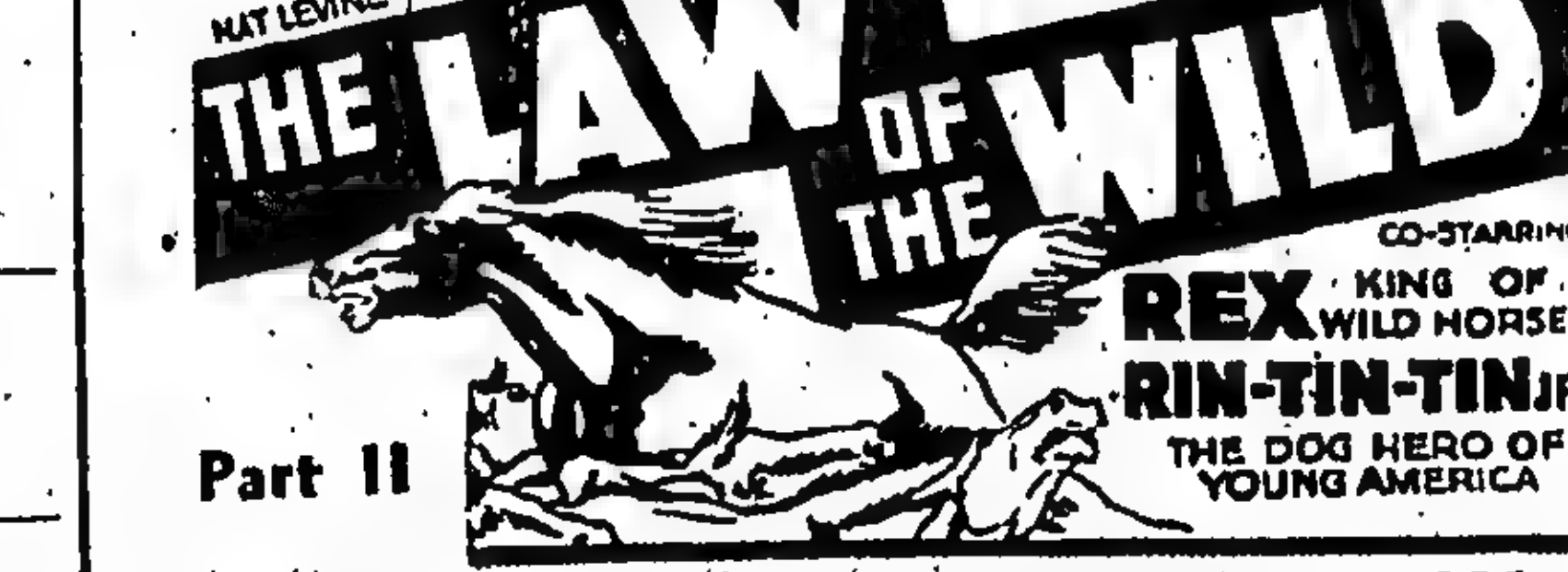
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**WHITEAWAY'S**

# "Crisis Week-End" Passes, But Britain's Defenders Still on Alert NEUTRALS BELIEVE THREAT OF INVASION DECREASING DAILY

## HEAVY FOG OVER CHANNEL FAVOURS NAZIS BUT R.A.F. BLASTS BARGE ASSEMBLY

Special to the "Telegraph"

THE BRITISH CABINET still reckons strongly with the threat of immediate invasion, an influential member of the Government told "United Press" last night.

But the failure of "crisis week-end" to produce anything extraordinary has strengthened the feeling of neutral experts that the threat of invasion is decreasing each day.

Whether the delay is due to conflict within the German High Command, or conflict between Hitler and the High Command, or the Luftwaffe's inability to break the Royal Air Force and the latter's own murderous pounding of invasion bases is not clear.

### FULLY PREPARED

If the invasion does come, Britain is fully prepared.

A Cabinet member said last night: "We continue to believe it might come at any hour."

"But never have we been more confident in our ability to crush it."

All along Britain's shores, hundreds of thousands of look-outs are on the qui vive, ready to raise the alarm the moment anything untoward happens.

### FOG OVER CHANNEL

Every available unit of the Royal Navy is patrolling the invasion area. Late yesterday afternoon a very dense fog descended on the Channel area, reducing visibility to about 100 feet, and the aerial ceiling to zero.

The wind is abating.

Meanwhile the Germans have ordered the entire southern and western coast of Norway closed, presumably to conceal invasion preparations.

### Shattering Attacks By Our Bombers

## Berlin Airport Hit & Damaged By R.A.F.

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Describing the attack on Berlin in the early hours of this morning, the Air Ministry news service states that the German capital was visited by a harassing force which bombed military objectives to the north-west of the city, the Tempelhof Airport and power stations which had been damaged in previous raids.

The raiders were met with anti-aircraft fire but none of the aircraft was hit.

Thunderstorms over the city caused the engine of one bomber attacking the Tempelhof Airport to cut out as the crew were approaching the target.

### Unloaded Bombs

Continuing his run, the pilot unloaded his bombs on the aerodrome and flying at 5,000 feet succeeded in maintaining this height on only one engine for 45 minutes until the second engine picked up.

Invasion bases on the Dutch, Belgian and French coast were again the chief objectives on Sunday night's raids.

### Antwerp Again

During the night the heaviest attacks were directed against the

### 6 LOST ABOARD "EXPRESS"

LONDON, Sept. 16 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that the following casualties occurred in the destroyer Express, which was damaged recently either by mine or torpedo:

Killed.—Lieut. Commr. D. W. Deane, Temporary Sub-Lieutenant R. P. Lawrence.

Died of Wounds.—Capt. J. G. Blackford.

Missing.—Temporary Surgeon Lieut. A. C. Sheldford.

Wounded.—Lieut. C. M. K. Bruton and Lieut. D. E. Matland-MacGill-Crichton.

## CONVOYS RAIDED

### German Shipping Gets Bad Time

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Fuller details of Air Force attacks are given by the Air Ministry news service.

The statement says that the German supply ship sunk at anchor at Ijmuiden was a 5,000-ton vessel.

As regards the attacks on German convoys and shipping concentrations on the Channel coast, the statement says the first convoy was attacked off

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## SNOBBERY MADE TRIP TO AUSTRALIA "UNPLEASANT"

### —Sydney Report

Snobbery aboard one of the evacuee ships en route to Australia from Hongkong made life unpleasant for passengers aboard, according to the Sydney "Daily Telegraph."

Efforts were made by a section of the passengers to obtain concessions which they did not wish to have granted to the other

All persons over the age of 15 years are required to carry passes before leaving or entering the area.

German guns on the French coast recommenced shelling the Dover area at 11 a.m.

The bombardment opened with salvoes as the city's main streets were crowded with morning shoppers, who rushed to the shelters.

Four salvoes were fired within ten minutes. Eleven persons were injured.

### Concentrations Blasted

The Royal Air Force, despite poor visibility and adverse flying conditions, continued to blast the Nazi barge concentrations over a wide area.

Heavy attacks were made yesterday on concentrations of war supplies, barges, shipping, dock yards and ports at Hamburg, Wilhelmshaven, Antwerp, Flushing, Ostend, Dunkirk, Calais and Boulogne.

Direct hits were scored on a German warship at Terschelling and a military tanker and supply ship in the Elbe Estuary were severely damaged.

Aircraft of the Coastal Command also sank an enemy ship off Ijmuiden. German convoys off the Netherlands coast were also attacked, two supply ships being sunk.

Attacks were also made on the shipping and docks at Le Havre, ships alongside the quays and the quays themselves being repeatedly hit.

(United Press and Domet messages.)

### Roosevelt Signs Conscription Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt at a brief ceremony at the White House signed the Burke-Wadsworth Conscription Bill whereby some 16,500,000 men between the ages of 21 and 35 become liable to military service.

## INTENSE RAIDS ON LONDON

### Hundreds of Bombs on Metropolis

By BYRON TAVES

"United Press" Staff Correspondent

LONDON, Sept. 17 (UP).—German raiders staged intense air raids over London again last night.

Bombs fell by the hundreds while anti-aircraft batteries roared continuously with salvo after salvo.

### Communiques

## R.A.F. IN ACTION

### Intensive Raids

Official communiques issued last night included the following:

### LONDON: British Bombers Active

The R.A.F. last night bombed military objectives in Berlin.

Further heavy attacks were made on concentrations of war supplies, barges and shipping at dockyards and the ports of Hamburg, Wilhelmshaven, Antwerp, Flushing, Ostend, Dunkirk, Calais and Boulogne.

Other forces of R.A.F. bombers attacked distribution centres at Hamm, Osnabruck, Soest and Krefeld, godiyards at Hamburg and railway junctions at Rhine were also bombed.

### Warship Hit

A direct hit was made on an enemy warship off Terschelling, while an oil tanker and a supply ship in the Elbe estuary were severely damaged.

Coastal Command aircraft sank an enemy supply ship off Ijmuiden.

Convoys off the Dutch coast were also attacked. Two supply ships were sunk and others severely damaged.

Attacks were also made on shipping and docks at Le Havre, where ships alongside quays and the quays themselves were repeatedly hit.

From these extensive and successful attacks, the R.A.F. was also

NEW YORK, Sept. 17 (Reuter).—German troop carriers, it is reported here, are still stealing along the French coast, possibly in preparation for an invasion of Britain. A sudden deterioration in the weather and the unobtrusive performances of the R.A.F. however, aroused renewed speculation whether Hitler is hesitant and inclined to wait until the spring.

## LATEST

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## FRENCH DOWN R.A.F. PLANE

VICHY, Sept. 16 (UP).

It is officially announced that a French fighting plane, patrolling near Casablanca, shot down a British seaplane in flames when the latter fired a volley of shots at the French craft.

The British crew of three were saved by a French naval launch.

British planes recently flew over Morocco dropping tracts inviting the French to join the De Gaulle movement.

## ITALIAN CLAIMS

### Bugbug Reached

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Sept. 16 (UP).—It has been reliably reported that Italian forces have reached the outskirts of Bugbug, thirty miles beyond Sollum and half way between Sollum and Sidi Barrani.

The latest dispatches from Benghazi to-night said that Italian planes to-day intensified their attacks on Sidi Barrani and Marsamatrah.

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### Cholera

## New Year Advanced

### Kowloon City Wards Off Evil Spirits

For the purpose of driving away the evil spirits which they believed have descended upon them, the villagers of Kowloon City, which so far has suffered the greatest number of cholera cases, celebrated Chinese New Year yesterday—about four months in advance of the actual date.

The advancement was decided upon following a conference between the village elders and temple priests and after a consultation by the latter with the gods and goddesses who decreed that the year was a bad one—hence the necessity of beginning a new year.

This is the second occasion that the Chinese New Year has been celebrated in advance, the occasion having been observed by the inhabitants of Salsung on September 2.

### A Parable

The following parable, reflecting the Chinese reaction to the cholera epidemic has been submitted by a reader to the "Telegraph." The

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## Possible Australian-U.S. Defence Pact

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, had a lengthy conference to-day with Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, and Mr. R. G. Casey, the Australian Minister, on matters which were stated later to be particularly concerned with Australia.

The conference is believed to have dealt largely with Japan's moves in French Indo-China and the possible implications for Australia.

There has been speculation that the United States and Australia might form a defence agreement similar to that recently concluded with Canada.



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## NEW YEAR ADVANCED

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parable is characteristic, and is an entertaining and instructive corollary to the story of the advancement of the Chinese New Year which the Chinese in the walled city of Kowloon have decided upon. One night just before the outbreak of the cholera epidemic in Hongkong, three beautiful girls came to a certain house in a village Kowloon City. It was a very dark night and the girls asked the old woman of the house for one night's shelter. They said they, being strangers there, had lost their way. The kind-hearted old woman gave them a warm reception and treated them with hospitality. "In the middle of that night, the weather became a bit too cold and the old woman wished to cover these girls with a blanket. On arriving at the room in which they slept, the woman found that there were three big snakes on the bed. The girls were alarmed and the old woman, who was used to snakes, tried to calm them down. The snakes disappeared in a twinkling of an eye and the girls re-appeared. They asked the woman not to be frightened as they would do her no harm. They also told her that they wished to hear her and the residents of Kowloon City by giving them a warning. They added that, before long there would be a calamity which would continue its havoc in Kowloon City till the arrival of Chinese New Year and in order to get over this, the residents of Kowloon City should celebrate the New Year Day before the proper date so as to lessen the days of the calamitous condition there. "The people are now having dragon processions and other formalities in celebration of the anticipated New Year Day."

Latest Cholera Figures

The following are the official figures of the cholera epidemic up to and including yesterday. There have been 613 cases, of which 407 have proved fatal. Of the 213 victims of the disease, 100 are now under treatment in the Lai-chuk Cholera Hospital, while 53 are receiving treatment at the Kennedy Town Infectious Diseases Hospital. Seven have been discharged as cured and between 30 and 40 per cent are now convalescent.

## CONVOYS RAIDED

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The Dutch coast by a Hudson aircraft which dived on the nearest large ship and sank it with bombs. Then the Hudson pilot machine-gunned the machine-gunned an E-boats which was escorting the convoy. One Direct Hit. The second German ship was stationary off the Dutch coast when it was attacked by another patrolling Hudson at dawn today. The pilot dived on the ship in semi-darkness and let go three bombs, one of which at least struck home, for the Hudson was peppered with splinters from the ship which is believed to have sunk. Last night's attacks on concentrations of German vessels at Chinese ports were made by waves of Blenheims. Two ships were damaged when the Blenheims attacked a convoy off Sangatte near Calais but the main attack was reserved for Le Havre where the pilots of the first wave of Blenheims saw four large ships moored alongside the deep-water quay.

Salvoes of Bombs. Repeated salvoes of bombs struck squarely on the quay and there were fires when the Blenheims flew away. Pilots in the second wave made the attack in bright moonlight which clearly outlined the quays beside which were dark shadows. Amid intense anti-aircraft fire, the Blenheims dived over the harbour and bombed systematically. The bombs burst among the ships and direct hits were seen on the pier and quays. Damaged ships, shattered masonry and store-houses were the results of the bombing.

Prayers For Safety Of St. Paul's Fabric

LONDON, Sept. 16 (British Wireless).—Special prayers of thanks for the safety of the fabric were said in St. Paul's to-day when the first lunch-hour service since the removal of the unexploded bomb was held. The officiating canon gave thanks for the courage, skill and devotion to duty of the men who disposed of the bomb.

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## BERLIN AIRPORT HIT & DAMAGED

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docks at Antwerp (as on the night before), where great fleets of barges and many ships had been accumulated during recent weeks. The raid began at 10.30 p.m. G.M.T. and was kept up for nearly three hours. Favoured by bright moonlight in the early stages of the attack, the bombers despite fierce opposition from the ground defences got through to their objectives and played havoc. Barges were struck, set ablaze, and exploded in flashes of flame which lit up the whole docks.

Mass of Flames

By 12.30 a.m. one of the main wharves was a mass of flames. Other growing fires could be seen in all parts of the docks. Still the attack went on, the later aircraft straddling the dock basins, jetties and ships.

An hour later when the last raider left the blazing dock, the glow of fires could be seen many miles out to sea. In Ostend, shipping and docks were subjected to a series of intermittent raids by heavy and medium bombers over a period of four hours, during which what appeared to be a large transport vessel was struck and immediately caught fire.

Serious Effect of Raids

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Intensified R.A.F. attacks on German invasion bases and feeding lines are considered to have seriously retarded the completion of preparations for an invasion, writes a "Press Association" correspondent. Should an invasion be attempted, it is recognised that Britain must expect an attack on inland centres and towns on a more formidable scale than so far made.

Not only has material destruction been wrought at the invasion ports and elsewhere by Britain's bombers but some confusion is caused in the necessarily complex administrative arrangements. Loading and marshalling men, the embarkation of the right men and materials in the right boats and barges have been disorganised. All this, however, has not prevented altogether an increase in German concentrations.

Sympathy For TELAVIV

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister and Colonial Secretary have both sent messages of sympathy to the people of Telaviv. Mr. Churchill expresses his deep sympathy and says that the Italian brutality will only strengthen our united efforts. Lord Lloyd expresses his admiration of the courage and coolness of the people of Telaviv. He says that they are sharing cheerfully with the capital of the Empire an ordeal which will only steel our determination to move inflexibly to our final victory.

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HOW TO OVERCOME FEVER EXHAUSTION

Doctors now know that the greatest danger in fever comes from the poison it sets up in the blood-stream. Fighting these poisons leaves every nerve and organ in the body exhausted. One of these tired organs is the stomach. Just when the body requires nourishment most urgently, the digestion is very often too weak for solid diet. What you need is a highly nourishing food that puts no strain on the delicate stomach. For that reason doctors prescribe Horlicks in fever cases. From the first day on Horlicks you begin to mend. Horlicks is a complete balanced food containing all the elements necessary to rebuild wasted nerve and flesh and muscle. It creates new vitality and energy, restores robust health quickly. Get Horlicks to-day from your store. (10)

RA.F. IN ACTION

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ful operations, all our aircraft returned safely. AIR MINISTRY: Raid Casualties Slight. Reports hitherto received show that the number of casualties during last night's attacks on London was a little greater than on recent nights but much less than in the first attacks on the capital. Outside London, casualties were very few but some were fatal. It is now known that two enemy bombers were shot down by our fighters during the night. There has been little enemy activity during the day. About 8 a.m. a force of enemy aircraft crossed the coast of Kent in cloudy conditions but was turned back by A.A. fire without encountering our fighters. Later in the day, enemy aircraft singly or in small numbers crossed the coast at several points. A few bombs were dropped on various parts of the country, but damage is reported to be slight and the number of casualties small.

CAIRO: Enemy Harassed From Air

Although the main enemy forces appear to be consolidating their position round Sollum, strong elements of armoured fighting vehicles are now in contact with our advanced troops about Burgub. Throughout yesterday the enemy was successfully harassed by the R.A.F. and artillery fire from our mobile guns.

INTENSE RAIDS ON LONDON

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north-eastern districts but the extent of the damage has not been disclosed. The clear signal was sounded in London at 2.40 a.m. Retaliatory Gunfire. It has been disclosed that yesterday's shelling of Dover followed the shelling of a German convoy by British coastal guns. The British batteries fired 24 rounds at the convoy which was steaming along the other side of the Channel. The German coastal batteries afterwards replied with six salvoes aimed at Dover. The week-end bombings seemed to have been more heavily concentrated on London than in any previous raids. One street has been so badly torn up with bomb fragments that it is barely possible for a car to pass along. Plate glass windows in the shops of one famous street are all smashed. Shrapnel tore through the Presbytery of the Jesuit Fathers, Home in Mount Street, fragments being found embedded in the ceiling of the second floor. Several high explosive bombs were dropped in central London. In one street the fronts of two houses were ripped clean off and a gas main burst in the roadway. The subways are thronged again with many people seeking a few hours sleep on the platforms despite the noise of the underground trains. To-day bombs fell in the heavily populated east, northeast and south districts of the London area.

SNOBBERY TRIP

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pressed astonishment that private and officers of the Australian Army mixed freely. The Sydney "Sun" reports that the trip down to Australia became a race with time, with many bets laid whether the ship's passenger list of 910 would increase to 911. A baby was born a few hours after the arrival in Sydney. Officers praised the behaviour of the evacuees, said the "Sun." "But we've a few grey hairs to show for the trip," one officer said. The most annoyed people in Sydney now, says the Social Editor of the "Sun," are women evacuees from Hongkong, who relying on some "inside information" about Australia, rushed around buying as many pairs of stockings as they could before they embarked. They were told they could buy nothing under a guinea a pair in Australia.

NEW DRUG '760' USED IN Vain Bid To Save Boy

REACTION to a new drug known as "760," extensively used in America but which has been on the British market only a fortnight, was said at an inquest at Walthamstow, E., to have caused the death of ten-year-old David Zussman, of Belvedere-road, Leyton.

The drug "760" is a compound in the same group as the famous "M & B 693," which for two years now has been used successfully for pneumonia.

A representative of the British makers of "760" told me yesterday that the drug is a development of the same drug, prototol, from which "693" was derived.

"It is used for much the same conditions, but has a much wider range of action against various organisms, and also causes less nausea," he said.

"Take staphylococcus, for instance. That is an organism which invades the blood stream. '760' is very active against it; '693' is relatively inactive in this case.

"Although '760' has been on the British market only for about a fortnight, it has been used under

## H.K. Stock Market

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The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning. BANKS. H.K. Banks \$.....1315 n. H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....72 n. Chartered & B. \$.....x.d. 03 n. Mercantile & B. \$.....27 1/2 n. Mercantile C. & B. \$.....11 1/2 n. East Asia \$.....72 n.

INSURANCES. Canton \$.....192 b. Union \$.....403 n. China Underwriters \$.....1 n. H.K. Fire \$.....150 b.

SHIPPING. Douglas \$.....120 n. Steamships \$.....11 n. Indo-China P. \$.....100 n. Indo-China D. \$.....80 n. Shell (Bentons) \$.....30 3/4 n. Waterbous \$.....x.d. 00 n.

DOCKS ETC. Wharves \$.....01 b. Docks (old) \$.....17 s. Docks (new) \$.....14 1/2 s. Providentia \$.....4 b. Shai Dockyards \$.....35 n.

MINING. Kailan \$.....15/- n. Hauls \$.....0.55 n. H.K. Mines \$.....1 1/2 cts. s.

LANDS. Hotels \$.....3.35 s. Lands \$.....30 3/4 s. Lands 4% Debentures \$.....100 n. Shai Lands \$.....7.00 b. Hongkong \$.....3.40 n. H.K. Realities \$.....101 1/2 n.

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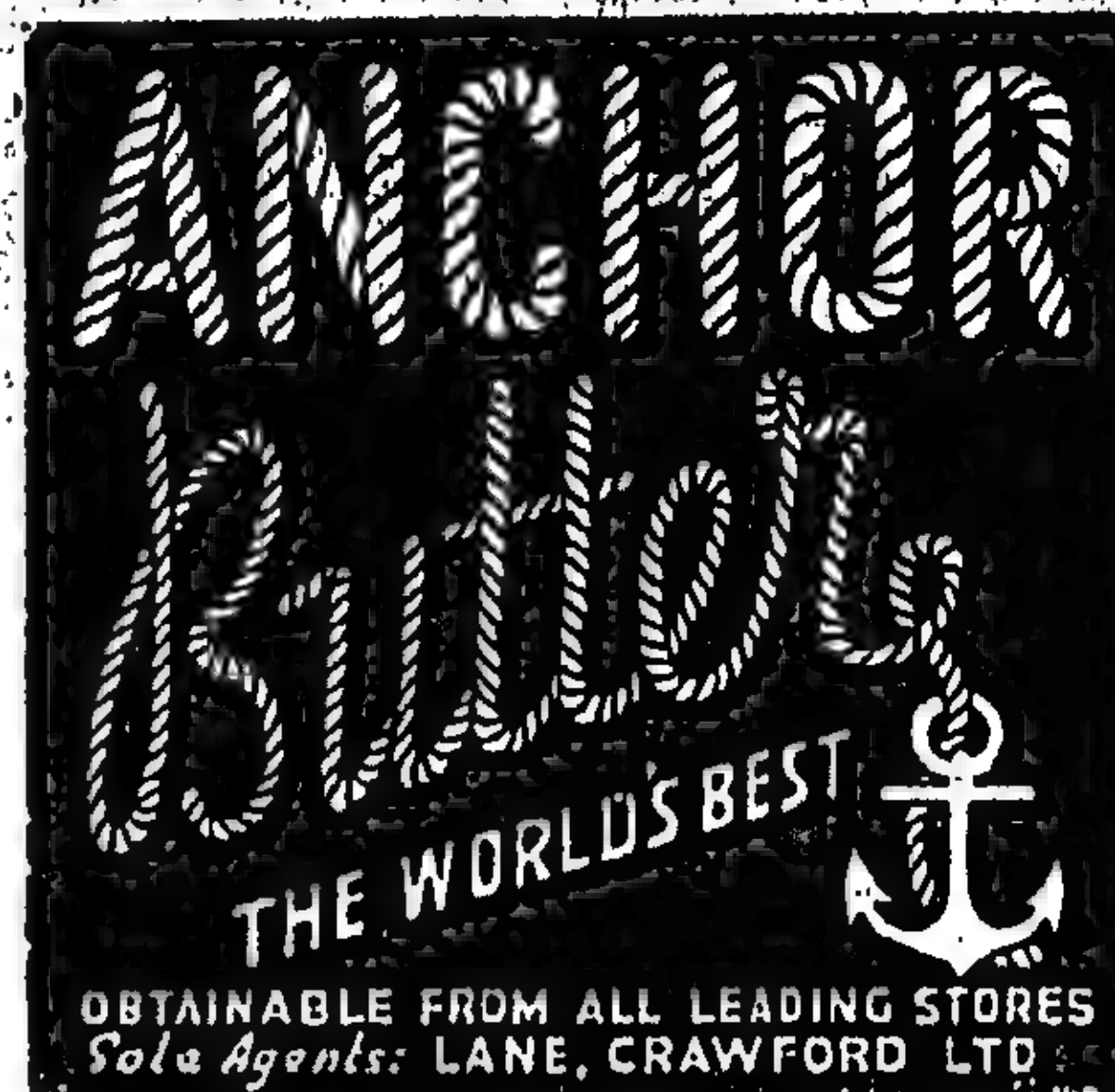
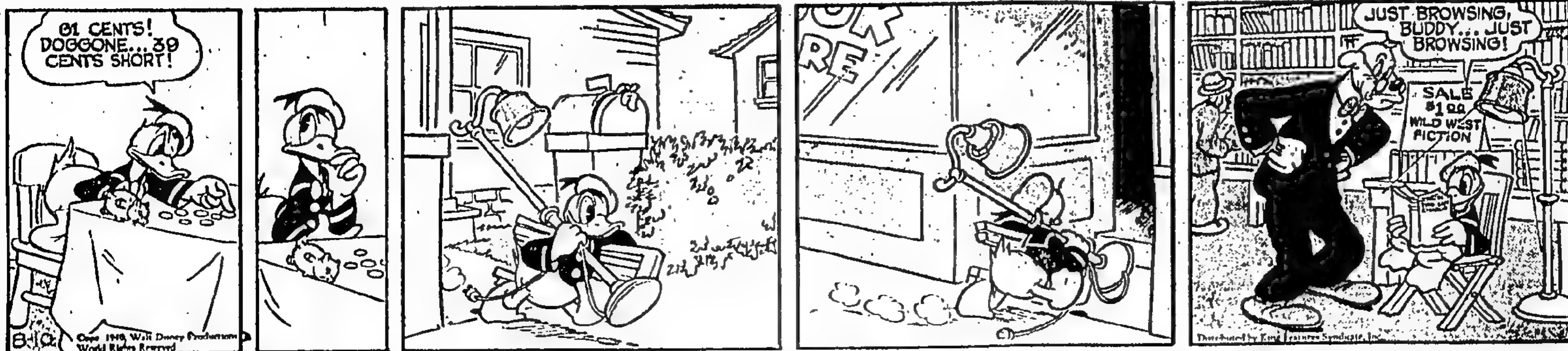
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# DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



## MAGAZINE PAGE

### Child's Guide To World Politics

by PAUL HOLT

Paul Holt, almost as bewildered as most politicians by the sudden flux of world diplomacy, has written to his son at school, anticipating many awkward questions in the approaching holidays, as follows:

DEAR MICHAEL,

Since France found they couldn't fight any more, this war has left the battlefield again and, just now, is being fought by tight-lipped, school-masterish diplomats in book-lined studies. It's a war of wangles again. But be sure that, whatever these long-nosed gents fix up to-day, it's going to mean that plenty of people are going to get hurt to-morrow.

It's no good looking at maps any more. They don't make sense. I think the best way to tackle it is to go back to those old kid primers. Like this—

**O STANDS** for the Nazi Octopus. Hitler's war machine is an octopus with eight tentacles (that's why it's called an octopus—*okto*, eight; *pous*, a foot Greek). Seven of those feet are planted on Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Holland, Norway, Belgium and France. He doesn't let go. He has only one foot left. Guess where he's going to try to put it. Right, my son. And guess why he's hesitat-

ing. Because he's only got one foot left.

**B STANDS** for the Bridegroom, Uncle Sam. He'd make an ideal match for any girl in the world. And he's going to the altar, don't you worry about that.

But before he gets round to Mendelssohn he's got some bachelor debts to pay. More debts than ready cash, in fact.

He's got to see that the Philippines, for which he is responsible until 1946, are O.K. That means the Japanese, of course. And Mexico, where the Nazis and the Communists have got together to scare the fellows in charge. And South America, particularly Brazil, where the Nazis could start something to-morrow for five pence.

It wouldn't do if any of those gents turned up to the wedding clutching a bill in hand. And, besides, there's the best man to be picked. There's an old friend, Roosevelt, and a new friend, Wendell Willkie.

It isn't exactly going to be a shot-gun wedding, but a fellow likes to get things fixed first, if you get me.

**T STANDS** for the Chinese Tortoise. You won't remember the days when Chung Kuo-shen was world war lord No. 1. For three years we haven't been hearing much of him, but all of a sudden he's become the most important man in the world again.

All this time he's been playing the old tortoise and hare game with the Japanese invaders. He's retreated a thousand miles, just like the Russians did before Napoleon

128 years ago, and he's sitting pat in Chungking.

The Japanese generals are tired of their war. But the Japanese admirals are rarin' to go. What they'd like to do would be to leave the Chinese Tortoise tucked in his shell and sail the seas to the south for easier pickings. Look at the map.

**G STANDS** for the Russian Garbo. She wants to be alone. Every time she makes another little grab in the West it's like putting another line of bricks along the top of her wall so that nobody can peek over. One brick was Finland, another was Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania. Another is Rumania's eastern province Bessarabia, and Bukovina to the north.

Don't be surprised if Garbo picks up a few more bricks. A fair share of the Dardanelles wouldn't hurt Turkey, and I don't suppose it would worry us. But there'll come a time when the Russian Garbo doesn't want to be alone any more. She won't want to be alone to fight Hitler.

You could go on with the alphabet up to twenty-six, easy, but I think that's enough for to-day. Except, of course, for one more letter.

**L STANDS** for the British Lion. He's wounded and he's lying up in the lung grass, waiting for his enemy to come in after him. All you can see is the tip of his tail flapping lazily to and fro. He's angry. And you know that a lion is never so dangerous as when he's wounded and lying up, waiting for his enemy.

Hope your exams go well.

### The 51st.

ASK any schoolboy whose history lessons have reached the Four Years' War, 1914-18, what division of the British Army was always in the thick of the fighting. He will tell you it was the Glorious 51st—the Highland Division.

The Germans called them "the Ladies from Hell" because of their kits. They were in the battle of Loos They helped to smash the Hindenburg Line in 1918. Their most memorable action was their break through at Villerscourt in May 1917.

The division, made up of famous regiments the Black Watch, the Gordon Highlanders, the Seaforth and Argylls, and the Camerons, with artillerymen, engineers and now motorised and tank units, divided into three brigades—are in the news again.

Recently official documents were issued by the War Office to add a new chapter of matchless courage but tragic disaster to their history.

It is the story of how they were decimated in the retreat of the D.E.F. in the present war. It is a fearful account of confused orders from the French Command, lack of adequate weapons, broken French support. But it is also the record of soldiers who against all the odds, hopelessly outnumbered, remained at the end the pride of Scotland.

THEY took over from the French the River Bresle line. They reduced German bridge-heads south of the Somme, but the armoured units were so badly damaged that they were left without tanks.

Then the Highlanders were given a line of eighteen miles to hold from Erondelle to the sea. The French IX Corps, a force of several thousand men, had promised to straighten out the enemy line in front of them before handing over. They attacked twice in front of Abbeville. They failed both times.

On June 4 the French attacked again in the centre, with the Scots on their flanks—without tanks. The French tanks were annihilated, their following infantrymen were mown down by machine-gun fire.

On their east side the Camerons ran into an enemy who was also attacking. No quarter was given by either side—says an official document. The casualties were appallingly heavy.

On the opposite side the Seaforths went on under furious machine-gun and mortar fire, and completed their task—the capture of a wood. So did the Gordons, who cleared out the Grand Bois at Cambrai, on the left of the French, whose infantrymen fought with great bravery.

The division had to retreat ten miles in the next two days across the River Bresle.

The Argylls, trying to hold an eight-mile front with rifles against tommy-guns, suffered terribly.

The remnants of one company of Argylls were surrounded by the enemy for two days. Somehow—one can only guess at their desperate gallantry—they fought their way through the German lines to rejoin their battalion.

On June 7 the French line was broken again and the road left open to Rouen, where the Scottish line, still intact had to fall back.

Outside the steeped village church at Arques, British naval and army officers shouted to each other above the noise of the dive-bombs and the guns: "Which way shall it be?" Dieppe, St. Valery-en-Caux, Havre?

It was the afternoon of June 9. For ten days the Scots had battled their way to the sea. Now they were almost in sight of the English Channel, those that were left.

But their line stayed intact. They were within reach of the sea at last. They could go with honour. The officers outside the church made up their minds—Havre, where the Navy would evacuate the Highland Division and the French who remained with them.

Crim-tipped Scots cheered. A brigade group, which means some hundreds of men—they called it the Ark Force—set off to cover the main withdrawal.

But the motorised Germans were advancing from Rouen faster than our men could march towards the port.

One hope remained—St. Valery. A staff officer fought his way alone in a car through the German hell-fire to tell the Ark Force that the 152nd and 153rd Brigades had made for St. Valery. The rest were to go on to Havre. The Ark Force must hold out.

It did—through four days of constant bombing and cruelly sustained gunfire till the last soldier had been taken off by the Navy. The survivors of the Ark Force escaped too.

The two lost 152nd and 153rd Brigades in the darkness dragged their swollen feet towards St. Valery. A fan-shaped line had been thrown around the little town to keep the enemy off. The Gordons and the Black Watch, unbroken, fought in a desperate ring, a few hundred men against thousands. But the bridge-head broke.

The French units in their sector gave way. The Germans took the town, surrounded the Highlanders, and covered every embarkation point with their guns.

At 8 a.m. on June 12 the French capitulated.

Still the Highlanders would not give in. They took up new positions to try to recapture the town or find boats to take them off when darkness came again. Had they only known it, the naval ships were waiting at Vieux les Roses, only four miles away, and taking off other British troops.

At length their last shot was fired. Their rifles were useless.

SCOTLAND'S shield was broken, as Scott wrote of another fatal battle, and nearly 5,000 men, with fifty-seven-year-old Major-General V. M. Fortune, a D.S.O. of the last war, at their head and two brigadiers fell into the enemy's hands.

But their guns and their vehicles. General Fortune's last order was that they should be destroyed. They were.

### Division

### PARIS IS LEARNING A WORD—'VERBOTEN'

by WALTER KERR

New York Herald-Tribune Reporter, who has been expelled by the Germans from France.

French history, making it conform with the Nazi viewpoint. Let there be no mistake about the power of this control.

THE same kind of control is felt in other ways. Thousands of stores, shops, cafes and restaurants closed in the days before the German army marched in. Then the Germans ruled that none should reopen without their permission. Some tried it and were promptly closed.

This, despite the fact that the Germans in the Press and on the radio, keep saying how necessary it is for men to go back to work. They have forced many places to reopen through threats of confiscation and granted permission to others to stop, but it looks like being a long time before great factories like Renault and Citroen will be in full operation again. The Germans are more interested in sending the people back to the land.

Thousands of Frenchmen are out of work or earning less money than ever before. Thousands are living on credit at their grocery shops. Few can pay their rents.

This situation could be cleared up in a short time if the occupying army agreed to work on it. All Parisians need is transportation to bring food from farms to the markets, permission to go to their homes in the provinces and the means of getting there, and work.

But the army is much more interested in military affairs, and German civilian officials are more interested in harnessing French economic life to their own needs rather than to the needs of the French people.

PERHAPS inevitable among all this is the spread of the German language. The menus in many restaurants are printed both in French and German, although

there is such little choice that not many words are used.

French-German dictionaries are sold in stores and at street corners. German signs are posted, such as the one before the Hotel Crillon, saying "Parken auf diesem Platz verboten"—"Parking in this square forbidden." That one word is sinking in—"verboten."

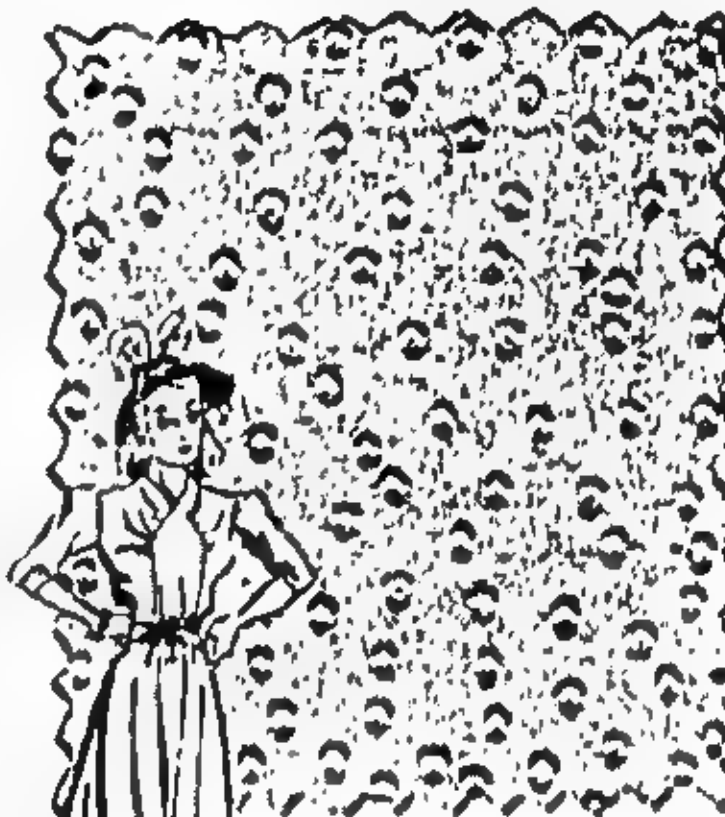
A room now costs from ten francs a day in a small Left Bank hotel to twenty francs daily in a luxury hotel such as the Ritz. At the German-imposed rate of twenty francs to the mark, this means that German officers pay less than two shillings a day at the Ritz, Crillon, Meurice, George the Fifth, and many others. Frenchmen, of course, pay the usual fee.

The German army has taken over great buildings such as the Chamber of Deputies, Quai d'Orsay, Ecole Militaire, Invalides, where Napoleon and Foch are buried. Many private flats are occupied. The swastika flies everywhere. The French tricolour is forbidden.

On the streets are the grey cars of the army and air force, thousands of them recently repainted after the seizure of the Netherlands, Belgium and France. Soldiers drive them at high speed. French police, still on duty, watch them pass helplessly.

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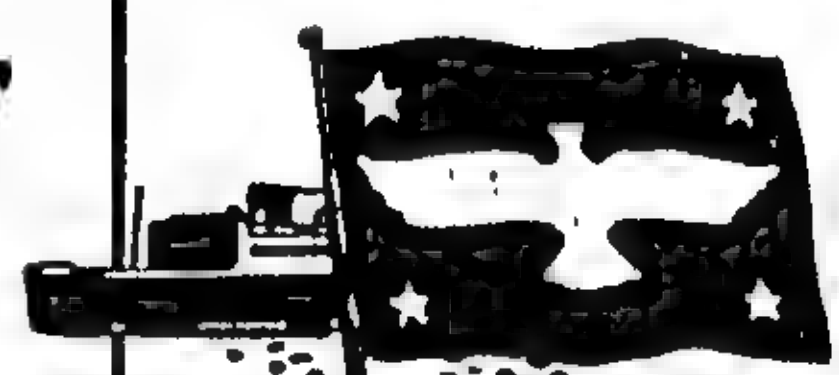
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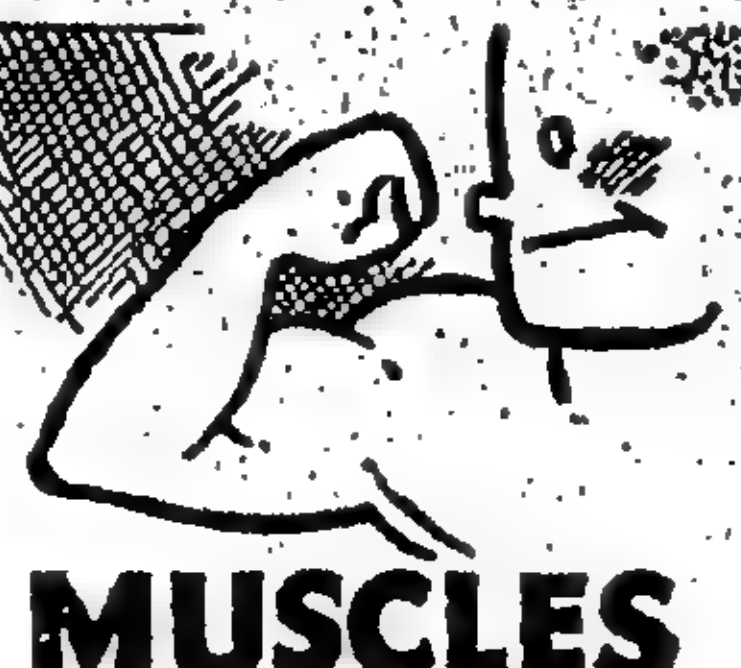
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### Ready And Waiting

It is estimated that in German air raids against Great Britain and British shipping the enemy is losing aircraft at a faster rate than he can construct them. This rate of destruction has been maintained for some days past and yesterday's figure of 106 machines is the highest ever recorded. Great Britain is retaining her supremacy in aerial fighting in accounting for three to four German machines for every one she loses.

German bombing of land targets is not as effective as is claimed in Berlin, for neutral newspapermen, who are visiting those ports and areas where Goebbels tells of devastating blows, can find few evidences to support his German form of propaganda. Most of the damage inflicted is on private property and the casualties are chiefly among helpless civilians. Indeed, Germany's air war is directed against non-combatants, as the raids on central London bear testimony.

The claims of the Germans grow more exaggerated as their raids continue, and in this respect they are deluding their own people, but no one else. Their Government is in the position of being responsible to no one, and least of all to the British people. It is quite different with the British Government. That body is responsible to Parliament. It made exaggerated claims as a result of aerial attacks the matter would be investigated on the floor of the House of Commons and the truth would be brought to light. That Parliament does not question the official communiques of its Government is proof positive of the fact that they are true. Moreover, the authorities responsible do not take unsupported evidence of the destructive proof. That is why there is a constant revision upwards of the losses inflicted as more and more evidence comes to hand.

The British press believes that the threatened German blitzkrieg is near. Already, in successive waves daily, hundreds of aircraft are being taken part in raids. The more that participate the greater is the percentage of the losses they sustain. There is nothing that these raids are accomplishing that gives any indication of paving the way for an invasion of Great Britain. Whatever losses are being inflicted on the Royal Navy are insignificant. Merchant shipping is not suffering unduly. British land forces remain intact, ready to repel any attempted landing by enemy forces. What Germany is aiming at is the destruction of British aerial power. Her attacks for some weeks past have been concentrated on airfields and air factories, as well as London, though with what measure of success is not known. What she has failed to demonstrate is any superiority in aerial warfare. As a fighting machine Germany's air force has been shown to be at a disadvantage in encountering the British, even where numerical superiority prevails. When fighting against odds the Royal Air Force seems to rise to the height of the occasion. The best estimate of all in appraisal of the trend of the aerial warfare is found in the daily losses inflicted on the enemy and sustained by the defenders. Even Germany's air resources can only be relied upon for a certain time to stand losses of three machines for every British airplane destroyed.

The Germans, if their propaganda is to be believed, are working on the assumption that the morale of the British people resembles that of the nations of Europe they have trampled underfoot. No doubt after laying a

## WAR—IN A THOUSAND MILES OF MUD

By RONALD MATTHEWS

On The Abyssinian Frontier.  
BLUE in the distance, across the green tree-dotted plain that changes to a crumbly red on the horizon, rise the surly mountains of Abyssinia.

And here, from the headquarters of a British unit in the "front line" I am able to give the first eye-witness account of the siege operations which are being conducted to-day against Italy's East African Empire.

At present, the campaign must remain at the tempo of patient blockade enlivened by an occasional raid.

For almost the entire thousand miles of the Sudan-Abyssinian border have been turned into the likeness of a football ground after a heavy match on a pouring day.

The regular seasonal rains began three weeks ago, and though they are not continuous they are so persistent that large-scale operations requiring any kind of transport would be the wildest gamble till mid-September.

As evening approaches, the sky becomes overcast with heavy slate-grey clouds like an English summer, and the eastward horizon towards Abyssinia, which gives us our weather, is one constant flicker of lightning.

When it comes—and it has come every other day this week—the downpour is torrential and the earth turns to a clogging mud which is impassable not only for cars but even for camels.

So a force which ventured on a big advance would almost certainly sooner or later find itself bogged and cut off.

The headquarters from which I am writing is located in a circular native hut of the type known as a takul—beehive villages of takuls are scattered all over the landscape.

Its walls as well as the roof are made of straw, and the conical thatch rises to a topknot like the hat Garbo wore in "Ninotchka."

Plump white hens wander over the earth floor between the legs of trestle tables, on which lie a typewriter, a couple of rolls of maps, and half a dozen cardboard files of telegrams, orders and dispatches.

Round the tall lamps after nightfall gathers a hum of insects that drop in your lap or plopp on your shoulder like continuous shrapnel fire and which squat brown loads hunt over the floor with darting tongues.

### "Pinprick" Pushes

Outside, slim mimosa trees or neams, which resemble the African ash, are dotted as in parkland.

Their upper branches are a flutter with long-legged storks or prosperous egrets, their plumage as unbelievably white as packets on a Christmas tree.

Beneath this busy shade are camouflaged by daytime the forces which are carrying out a "pinprick" campaign against the Italian garrison of Kassala down the now cut railway to Port Sudan.

Who are the men who are waging this war? Well—brown and aquiline, or black and broad-nosed, they are the Arab or Negro troopers of the Sudan Defence Force.

Many of them did not wear a stitch of clothing before enlistment, and few of them knew one end of a car from the other.

To-day, under a handful of British officers, they are driving armoured vehicles, manning machine-guns, working a cracking field radio. They are extremely proud of their crash helmets, and not only wear them all day long, but sleep in them. British officers, hand-picked from

curtain of fire across the Channel and establishing what he believes is his air supremacy, the enemy will attempt invasion by troop transports reinforced by paratroops. The air supremacy he envisages will only exist in his own imagination, for there is no indication that it is being won. Any sea passage of troops must reckon with the Royal Navy, which will not be deterred from its task no matter what the nature of the barrage laid down across the Channel.

The Germans are heading for their most tragic discovery, that is tragic for them, if they believe that their air bombardments are crushing the soul of the British people. "We are ready and waiting for Hitler," the British people have said for months past. That is their spirit of resolution. In the lexicon of the Motherland there is no such word as "fail" in the crisis that she faces.

That is why since the Gash is unbridged it was planned there the war to capture Kassala as soon as wish to make war on the Sudan. The latter was somewhat less than the initial startling successes of our vanguard, since it was preceded by a shower of bombs, which though very heavy, caused the first two Sudanese casualties on this front.

## RUNNING COMMENTARY



Mussolini has congratulated the Italian Navy on its "magnificent victory over the British Fleet."

## AN AIRMAN'S LETTER

Flying Officer Anthony Gray Worcester, hero of the aerial battle of July 4, when his flight of five Gladiators fought and shot down nine Italian Fiat Cr. 32s in the Western Desert, has been killed in a flying accident.

He was returning from the front line with his flight in thick cloud. He left the formation and dived through the cloud to discover their position.

Unfortunately the mist stretched right down to the ground level and Flying Officer Worcester was unable to pull the aircraft out of the dive in time and he crashed. Thus ended the short but glorious war career of a typical Royal Air Force pilot whose spirit lives on in a letter written to his mother on his return from his first and highly successful aerial combat.

The following is an extract from his letter:

"I wonder if your psychic gift told you what was happening between 6 and 6.15 this evening as it has about other great days in my life. For today, one of the greatest ambitions of my life has been fulfilled.

"I was involved in an air battle with the enemy for the first time. It seems that Providence went out of His way to fill my cup of joy, for it was the type of engagement which every fighter pilot dreams about and longs for but seldom gets in these days—fighter v. fighter in a dog-fight spread all over the sky—each man for himself.

"About 6 o'clock this evening I led five of our fighters into action against nine Italian fighters over their own aerodromes. The whole thing only lasted about six minutes, although it seemed like half an hour. We shot down the whole nine and I had the luck to account for four of them. Our chaps put up a wonderful show and we had no losses.

"Do you remember this film Dawn Patrol? The atmosphere was just the same, and to add to the drama we were sitting round our mess camp this evening an Italian pilot, who had been shot down in the morning, was brought in. The poor fellow was dazedly white and had obviously resigned himself to anything. We gave him a drink, some cigarettes, and some food which he wolfed, poor chap."

"I am dead tired, dirty, and unshaven, but otherwise in great spirits. I do hope this gets to you soon, knowing how you wait for it all the time, as any success of mine means so much to you. You know how I have waited all my life for something like this, and now it has happened. I can hardly believe it. I am most grateful for the luck and opportunity that has been given me."

Flying Officer Worcester was 23 years of age, commissioned in January, 1936, and trained as a fighter pilot in England. He was an only son, his mother being a widow well known by many in Hongkong.



# 3 1/2 YEARS FOR ASSAULT ON EUROPEAN PRISON OFFICER

## PLEA OF GUILTY

Pleading guilty to a charge of wounding Prison Officer E. S. Franks with intent to cause him grievous bodily harm at Stanley Prison on June 26, Li Chan-lam, 26, an inmate of the Gaol, was sentenced to three and half years' hard labour by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Li, who was stated to have stabbed Mr. Franks twice in the back with a knife, told the Court that Mr. Franks had accused him of indecency after he had asked to be excused for a few minutes.

### Another Case

"You can count yourself lucky that you are not here for murder," said His Lordship to Lau Fong-ku, 47, travelling trader, who pleaded guilty to a charge of wounding Chan Fung, 30, farmer, with intent to do him grievous bodily harm, at Tsan Wan.

Lau said he committed the act in revenge for Chan taking away his wife and son.

Mr. Murphy told His Lordship that the attack was an extremely savage one. Chan had fully recovered but he was now badly wounded. There were allegations seven wounds, any one of which might have proved fatal.

Sentencing Lau to four years' hard labour, His Lordship remarked there was no justification whatever for the brutal attack.

## SOVIET-RUSSIA AND RUMANIA

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—The Rumanian Government has prohibited Rumanian aircraft from flying over territory bordering the Russo-Rumanian demarcation line, and has instructed frontier troops not to use arms except in case of deliberate violation of Rumanian territory, according to the German radio.

This statement is said by the German radio to have been contained in the Rumanian note replying to the Soviet protest of August 28.

The note says that the Rumanian Government is inspired by a desire to maintain friendly and neighbourly relations with the Soviet Union.

## "WATER BUSES" ON THAMES

LONDON, Sept. 16 (British Wireless).—The service of "water buses" on the Thames introduced in the last few days to relieve congestion on other transport services through the temporary disorganisation of a few routes as the result of enemy bombing has proved highly popular.

The service has been accelerated and the number of river craft engaged increased.

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## Negro Aviator Wants to Duel with Goering

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (UP).—Field Marshal Goering has accepted a challenge to an air duel at 10,000 feet over the English Channel, according to Harlem's "Black Eagle", Colonel Hubert Fautleroy Julian.

The negro aviator asserts that the duel will occur within thirty days. "I'm going to machine-gun that lousy creature out of this life," the Black Eagle declared. "I have a life to give and I will give it gladly."

Julian said he cabled the challenge to Goering when he read Hitler's "Mein Kampf" in which he said the Fuehrer insulted the Negro race as "half apes and baboons and pitwits."

Julian's exploits include an attempted non-stop flight from New York to Europe which ended in East River and a flight in which he crashed Hittler's private plane. This occurred when Colonel Julian was the sole member of the Ethiopian Air Force.

The Colonel said his wife on Saturday answered a telephone call from Washington.

"This is the Military Attache to the German Embassy," the caller said, according to Colonel Julian. "Tell that black swine his challenge has been accepted and that he must be on the spot as promised."

The Colonel said he intends to buy one of the two Messerschmitts which the British government has announced for sale.

"There is no question about their superiority of equipment," the Colonel explained.

## Four Raids On Chungking

Heavy Damage

CHUNGKING, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Japanese aircraft subjected Chungking to four raids in four hours today with ten attacks, the first of which was between 8:03 a.m. and 10 a.m. and the second between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

There were three raids during the second alarm.

A squadron of nine Japanese bombers raided the western suburbs of Chungking at 9:15 a.m., demolishing the suburban office of the Central Bank.

Three batches of nine bombers each raided Chungking about noon, bombing the western suburbs, the north bank, Chialing River and also the south bank of the Yangtze River.

Changing their tactics, the Japanese instead of launching large scale mass bombing attacks on Chungking are now using a comparatively small number of aircraft just for the purpose of maintaining a continuous bombing of Chungking.

During the second alarm, the second group suddenly appeared over the city, dropping bombs on the north bank of the Chialing River.

There was no harm or damage before the approach of the raiders, only the crash of the bomb explosions betrayed the presence of the raiders, who had apparently switched off their engines and glided towards Chungking when some distance away from the city.

## Waterloo Road Flat Fire

Slight Damage

Awakened by the smell of something burning on the floor, Mr. E. Searle, residing on the first floor of No. 92 Waterloo Road, investigated, and found a fire had broken out among the chairs in the drawing room.

A call was put through for the Fire Brigade, and two engines from the Kowloon Fire Station were on the scene within a few minutes. The fire was under control in a short time.

The fire is believed to have been caused by a cigarette end falling on to the furniture.

## Flag Day For Loss Of Tea

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—A large sum of money has been collected in a Cape Province, South Africa, flag day to replace the tea recently destroyed by fire in Britain. It was announced at the time that the loss of the tea owing to fire would not affect the tea ration in Britain, nevertheless the South Africans' most practical gift is received most gratefully.

## Duke Of Windsor's Message To King

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—The Duke of Windsor, in a message to their Majesties after the bombing of Buckingham Palace, expressed on behalf of the Government and the people of the Bahamas his "deep sense of relief for the escape of your Majesties from the recent grave danger to which you have been exposed."

Similar messages have been received from all parts of the Colonial Empire.

## Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/4
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T.T. Shanghai	405
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	105
T.T. India	32 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	21 1/2
T.T. Manila	43 1/2
T.T. Batavia	40 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/2
T.T. Saigon	95 1/2
T.T. France	Nom.
T.T. Switzerland	94 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	Nom.
4 m/s France	Nom.
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.04

## Lucky Escape For Family

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—A family in a south-east town had a very lucky escape during a German air raid on Sunday night.

They had just completed the erection of their Anderson shelter that evening. When the alarm sounded, they went into it.

A short while later a bomb demolished their house but the shelter was untouched at the edge of the crater. No one was hurt.

## FLOATING MINE

A floating mine has been reported seen in position Latitude 29 01 degrees North, Longitude 122 23 degrees East on September 15, states a notice to mariners issued by the Hongkong Harbour Department.

## Willing Response To Raid Victims' Fund

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—£15,000 was subscribed to the Lord Mayor of Sydney's Fund for the relief of London within a few minutes today.

The Lord Mayor of Brisbane has Governor of the United Provinces has cabled another £25,000 from Queensland sent a lakh of rupees.

The Victoria Fund now stands at £120,000. India reports that savings in India reports that savings in the Government of Punjab has cabled totalled over £200,000, bringing the £7,500 from the Punjab branch of total since May to over £305,000.

## Air Services As Usual

From Kunming

CHUNGKING, Sept. 17 (Reuter).—Reports that air passenger and mail services between Hanai and Kunming are interrupted are denied by the Ministry of Communications, which stated that the air services between China and French Indo-China are continuing as usual.

It is further stated that not only the Sino-American China National Aviation Corporation machines are now operating services between Hanai and Kunming but the Sino-German Eurasian Corporation at present are also operating services over the same line.

Chinese reports from the French colony indicate that all is quiet and that no Japanese troops have landed.

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## GANDHI'S DECISION

Leaves Way Open For Negotiation

SIMLA, Sept. 16 (Reuter).—Gandhi's address to the All-India Congress Committee in Bombay yesterday is interpreted here as indicating that the immediate question of relations between Congress and the Government of India is not regarded by Gandhi as having been determined with any finality.

The fact that he is prepared again to see the Viceroy suggests that he is willing to explore the position further.

### Conciliatory Aspects

The resolution passed by the Congress working Committee yesterday is recognised as possessing certain conciliatory aspects while Gandhi's definite assertion that there is no question of mass civil disobedience has created considerable interest.

The decision of Congress to invest Gandhi with full powers will, it is felt in official quarters here, tend to obviate the possibility of any abrupt action by Congress that would lead to a complete break with the Government of India.

## Dumped Body Of Dead Son

Fine or Imprisonment For Father

Seen dumping something by the roadside in Gap Road, Wanchai, early yesterday morning, Yuen On, 28, a coolie, was detained by an Indian constable, who took him back to the spot, where the object was discovered to be the body of a dead child.

This morning, Yuen appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, J.C., at the Central Magistracy, charged with depositing the body of his son, Yuen So-ha, aged two months. He pleaded guilty.

### On Way To Hospital

Inspector F. T. J. Portlinton said that the Indian constable saw defendant about 2:15 a.m. yesterday. Enquiries made subsequent to the discovery of the body revealed that the child had been sick for some time and Yuen had taken it to a Chinese public dispensary, where he had been advised to take his son to the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital at Sookunpoo. He was taking the child there when it died on the way, and Yuen decided to dump it.

Yuen, continued the Inspector, was employed by the Royal Naval Recreation Club, and was paid \$12 a month. He was stated to be a good servant.

The child had died from beriberi. Yuen was fined \$5 or ten days' imprisonment.

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## Crossword Puzzle

BY LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS: 1—Young boys; 2—Compound of glycerin and acetic acid; 3—Small dog; 4—Disphemous; 5—Draught of Minos; 6—King of Crete; 7—One who seeks well; 8—Name of cards; 9—Lie about; 10—Del fire is; 11—Kind of flower; 12—Pertaining to ear; 13—Narrow strip of paper; 14—Mean indignation; 15—Intelligence; 16—SUI; 17—Legally stop testimony; 18—Spied; 19—Marry; 20—Implement used in billiards; 21—Just sunk to rear; 22—Point opposite to acrobats; 23—Black bird; 24—Bark of certain trees; 25—Distilled appetite of; 26—Wooden wind-instrument; 27—Hundred of sticks; 28—Take out; 29—Lift his; 30—Directed toward side; 31—Sword; 32—Opening.

DOWN: 1—High-ranking member of clergy; 2—Learned; 3—Member of legislative body; 4—Cubic meters; 5—Crablike pipes; 6—Small; 7—Small; 8—Small; 9—Small; 10—Small; 11—Small; 12—Small; 13—Small; 14—Small; 15—Small; 16—Small; 17—Small; 18—Small; 19—Small; 20—Small; 21—Small; 22—Small; 23—Small; 24—Small; 25—Small; 26—Small; 27—Small; 28—Small; 29—Small; 30—Small; 31—Small; 32—Small.

8—Brazilian macaw; 9—Periodic rise and fall of waters; 10—Crude cream of latter; 11—Small lizard; 12—Matted upon; 13—Lacking in ambition; 14—Crablike pipes; 15—Musical stage presentation; 16—Cecilia; 17—Units of energy; 18—In addition; 19—Small horse; 20—European tree; 21—Ostrich-like birds of South America; 22—Writing instrument; 23—Weapon for discharging missiles; 24—Chairs in all directions; 25—Small drum; 26—Artificial ivory; 27—Three-way pipe connection; 28—Tree enclosure; 29—Father; 30—Do again; 31—Those who tell; 32—Revolving parts; 33—Section of army; 34—Prevents; 35—Crablike pipes; 36—Species of perch (pl.); 37—Small parallel; 38—Smooth, unspirated; 39—Animal hair; 40—System of rules.

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# FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP HEATS TO-DAY

## Chan Chun-nam Threatens Half-mile Record Satisfactory Entries

(By "Ripple")

FIRST HEATS for the swimming championships of the Colony will be held this evening in the Victoria Recreation Club pool. These, however, will only be for three of the five championship events that are on the schedule, for in the women's 100 yards back-stroke and the women's 200 yards free-style relay there are five and three entries respectively, and as there are five lanes in the pool, heats should not be necessary.

Events this evening, therefore, will be the men's 220 yards free-style, the women's 50 yards free-style and the men's 100 yards breast-stroke.

The list of entries were published recently, and the first event—the 220 yards free-style—may see the first meeting between Chan Chun-nam and Ng Nin (depending on the draw), while the return of Mak Wai-ling to the championships should add a little more to the current interest.

Chan Chun-nam, while training on Sunday, was unfortunate to miscount the number of lengths in 80 yards. He was timed at 10 mins. 42 secs. for 850 yards, and if he had continued he would undoubtedly have broken W. Lawrence's record of 11 mins. 47 secs. for the 1000 yards back-stroke, but the gap that his absence may have caused will be more than filled by the anticipated competition between the Chinese swimmers. This is so strong, that apart from the back-stroke, I doubt if Lawrence could be anywhere near confident of success.

To-day's programme will be (championship events): Men's 220 yards free-style, Ng Nin, Charles Huang, Chan Chun-nam, Mak Wai-ling, Young Cheong-wah and Lou Tai-ping.

Women's 50 yards free-style, Miss I. Lopez, Miss V. Churn, Miss D. Weir, Miss Ko Mui-ling, Miss J. Anderson, Miss P. Lo, Miss C. Ho and Mrs. Ho Wai-king.

Men's 100 yards breast-stroke—Ng Nin, L. M. Remedios, Hong Chung-yiu, Enrique Chaine, Ho Poon-kun and Kung Sau-shek.

THESE may well be regarded as a preview of the championships proper. Charles Huang is fresh from his success in Shanghai, but neither his style nor his times are impressive. He won the furlong race up north in 2 mins. 44 secs. swimming in a 60-yard pool. But even reducing that time to one in a 20-yard pool could not bring him within the 2 mins. 22 secs. or under, which is the Ng Nin and Chan Chun-nam class.

For the women's 50 yards, I anticipate a win for Miss Churn, but only on Sunday, too, Miss Ko Mui-ling was clocked at 32½ secs. This is about Miss Churn's time, so one can look forward to an excellent race there.

The men's breast-stroke will see the butterfly against the normal stroke. It is indeed pleasurable to see that Enrique Chaine, Colony breast-stroke record holder, will be defending his title. I don't know whether Chaine has adopted the butterfly stroke, but if he hasn't his

### SPORTS ADVT.

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 21st September, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27704) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21020).

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By Order, S. A. BLAIR, Secy. Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1940.

## LEAGUE CRICKET TO CARRY ON

### Lawn Bowls

#### Draw For Semi-finals Of Pairs

DRAW for the semi-finals of the Lawn Bowls Pairs semi-finals has been made, and resulted as follows:

W. J. Burling and M. N. Rakusen v. A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar.  
H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro v. R. Baza and J. S. Landolt v. L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro.

These games will be played at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Sunday next at 3.30 p.m.

#### Singles Matches

Competitors are reminded that all outstanding games in the Singles Championship should be played off as soon as possible.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Racial Factor

Sir, We all know that Portugal is in Europe, and we also know that being descendants of such people who came out here years and years ago, we still cling to and pride ourselves as being PORTUGUESE, but like many others, I can only call myself as being MACAENESE.

Perhaps "Portuguese European" is one of those who can trace his or her family tree, but not me, and am still proud to be known as a Macaene.

Indeed we are all here registered as Portuguese, but I am sure many will agree with me not in the sense as claimed by "Portuguese European." LOCAL.

## Similar Programme As For Past Season

### FIRST MATCHES IN JANUARY

"I WOULD congratulate Hongkong if you could keep cricket going and run the League through the conditions of the next few months" were the approving words of Major Petrie, Army representative at the Hongkong Cricket League meeting yesterday, when it was indicated that there would be ample support from the Clubs for the continuance of the usual annual competitions.

Much as the Army would desire to enter the League, continued Major Petrie, he thought it would be better not to because they were unable to guarantee that they could fulfil their fixtures. Army sides would, however, continue to appear in friendly matches.

With the withdrawal of the Army side, six Clubs were still left who were in favour of the Senior Division of the League, and seven voted for the continuance of the Second Division.

Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, who was later re-elected President, was in the Chair, and was supported by Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell, vice-President, and Mr. A. H. Madar, Hon. Secretary, both of whom were re-elected.

#### The Entries

THE discussion of the League was the main subject of the meeting and an early vote showed that the majority of Clubs were in favour of the continuance of the League. These Clubs, and the number of teams, were:

	1st Div	2nd Div
Club de Recreo	1	1
Kowloon C.C.	1	1
Indian R.C.	1	1
Craigengower C.C.	1	1
Civil Service C.C.	1	1
H.K. University	1	1
Police	1	1
Total	6	7

Mr. Hancock stated that the Hongkong Cricket Club could not run more than one team, and, like the Army, would not enter the League but would play their fixtures as friendlies.

Prior to the vote being taken on the League, Mr. Mitchell pointed out that this year there would be an increase in Volunteer duties, and he thought it advisable to bring that point to the attention of Club representatives.

The vote was then taken. The League was agreed upon, and it was decided to adhere to a programme similar to last year's—the first matches to be played in January. This was made the more necessary because of the Volunteer Camps in November.

The following donations were approved:

\$50 to the Children's Playgrounds.  
\$100 to the Bomber Fund of the "S. C. M. Post" and "H.K. Telegraph."

#### Golf

#### F. Buckle Qualifies For Adamson Cup

F. Buckle, with a score of 80-12=68, qualified for the Adamson Cup during the September Qualifying Competition at Happy Valley, which was held from September 6 to 10.

### Further Shanghai Records Broken

As the final curtain rang down on the swimming season at the Foreign "Y" pool on Sept. 1, two more Shanghai records were established. Jackie Lumdsane breaking the 150 yards medley swim mark, and Dorrie Gray cracking a 10-year-old figure in the Ladies' 50 yards breast-stroke. Lumdsane clocked a fast time of 1 minute 52 seconds to beat the old official record by 1-4/5 seconds, while Dorrie Gray exceeded by one-fifth of a second the old mark of 39-4/5 seconds for the breast-stroke.

Other champions crowned were youthful Bob Hekking in the 100 yards free-style, who was timed in 58-4/5 seconds, and "Jappy" Grilik and his wife, who swept through in the men's and ladies' diving championship.

### Major Baseball Indians Maintain Slight Lead

#### Tigers Threaten Again

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (UP).—Cleveland Indians, though sharing honours with the Philadelphia Athletics in a double-header to-day maintain a slight lead in the American League over the Detroit Tigers, who threaten again following their victory over the Washington Senators.

Scores were:

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Philadelphia	3	10	1
Battery: Ross, Hayes, Wagner			
Cleveland	3	9	0
Battery: Harder, Pytlak			
Philadelphia	3	7	0
Battery: Dabich, Hayes			
Cleveland	2	6	0
Battery: Eisenstat, Dobson, Hemsley			
Washington	2	5	2
Battery: Krakauskas, Haynes, Carrasquel, Ferrell			
Detroit	9	11	0
Battery: Newson, Tobbetta			
New York	4	6	3
Battery: Russo, Hadley, Gomez, Sundra			
Dickey	10	15	2
St. Louis	6	10	2
Battery: Kennedy, Swift			
Boston	0	9	0
Battery: Wilson, Desautels			
Chicago	2	5	0
Battery: Dietrich, Appleton, Brown, Trach			

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Cincinnati	4	9	0
Battery: Thomson, Beggs, Wilson, Baker			
Brooklyn	3	10	1
Battery: Davis, Franka			
(Ten innings were played)			
Pittsburgh	7	7	1
Battery: Butcher, M. Brown, Kilgler			
Davis	6	7	1
New York	0	7	1
Battery: Lohman, Carpenter, Lynn, Danahy			
St. Louis	7	8	0
Battery: Hutchinson, Owen			
Philadelphia	1	6	1
Battery: Frye, Masterson, Warren			

chances of holding his title are slim, but I'm glad that hasn't prevented him from entering.

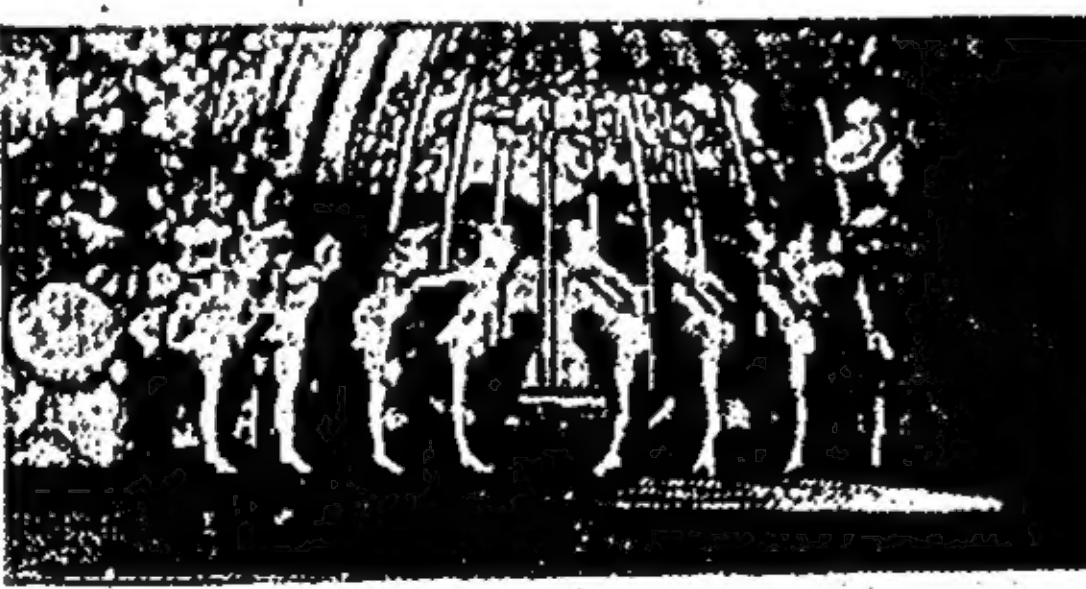
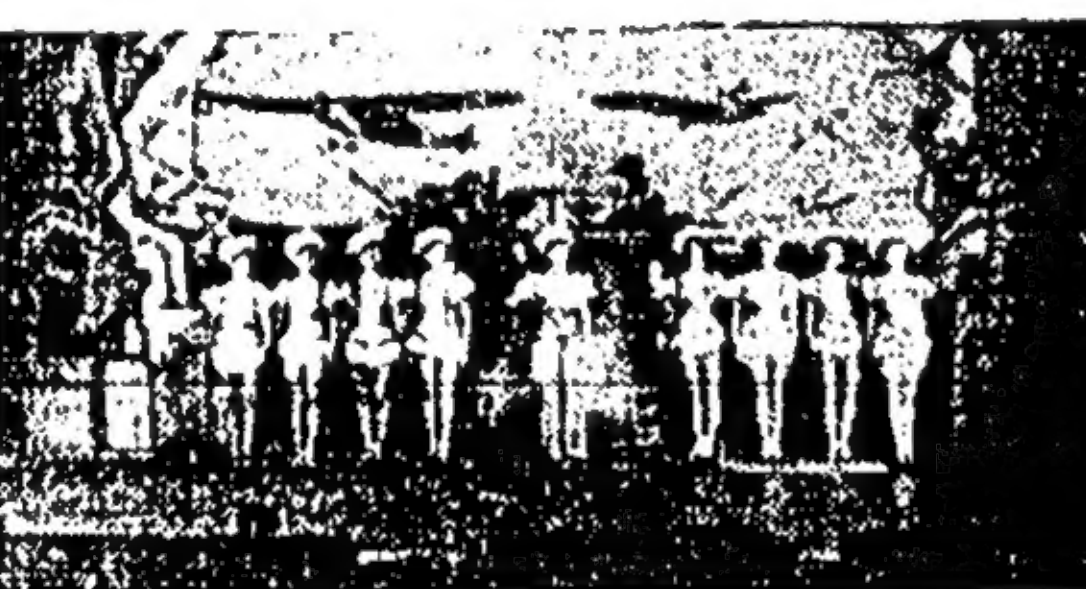
VERSATILE Ng Nin is out for wide competition. His seven events are all the free-style distances and the breast-stroke and back-stroke. If he can live up to the reputation that has been built around him, he should be a six-fold champion at the end of the meeting.

He won't have everything his own way in the 50 yards dash, however, for there are David Hutchinson, Ng Tsun-man and D. H. Taylor to be reckoned with.

But speaking generally of the coming events, expectations are high. If records are broken such won't be anything unanticipated.

Then following close upon the heels of the championships is the meet with the Philippines. But that is subject for discussion in another article.

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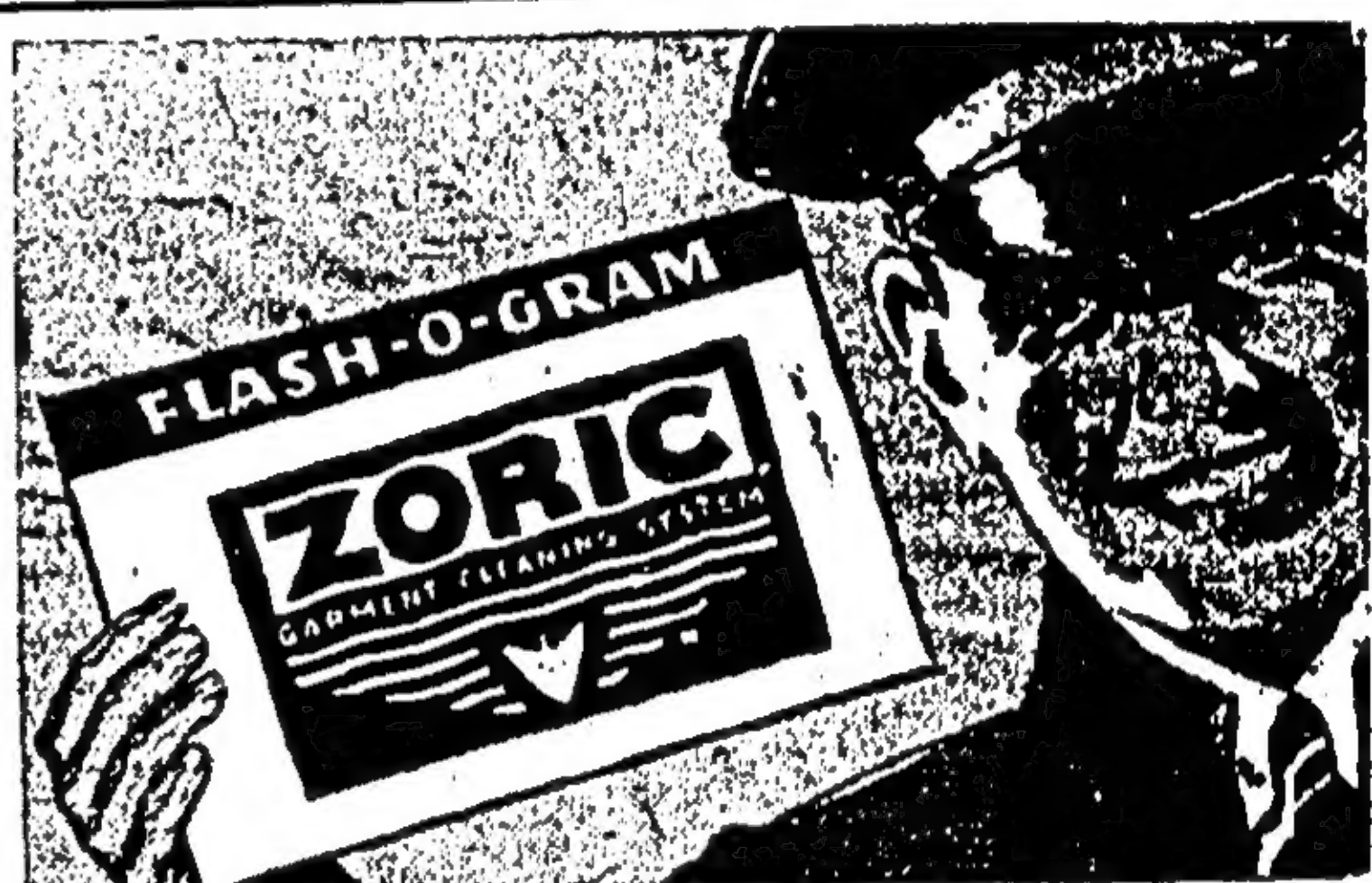
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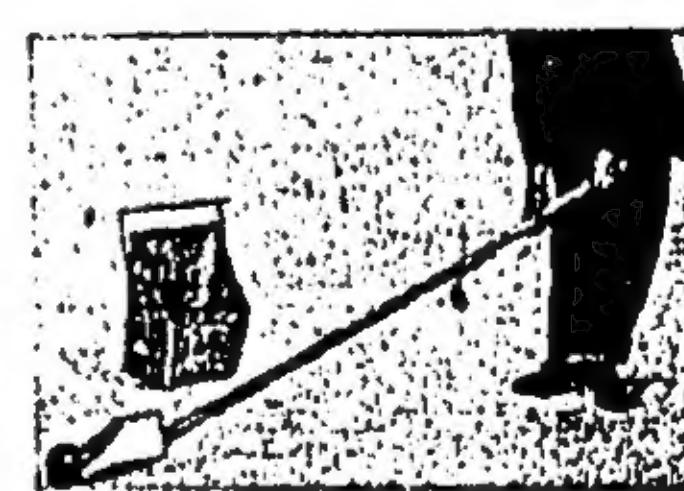
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## Prison And "Cat" For Assault On Woman

An attack on Mrs. Dora Margery Begdon, of 452 The Peak, at Barker Road Peak Tram Station, was described at the Criminal Sessions this morning before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams when The Shing, 24, unemployed, stood trial on a charge of highway robbery with violence. He was alleged to have robbed Mrs. Begdon of a handbag containing articles to the value of \$20.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the following jury were empanelled:—Mr. S. S. Harris (Foreman), Messrs. You Tuck-wing, C. J. E. Scott, Fung King-chew, P. F. Lee, D. J. Willis and Tom Tsang-hon.

**Tram Station Attack**  
Outlining the case, Mr. Murphy said that about 11.45 a.m. on August 5 Mrs. Begdon came to the tram station on her way to town. As the tram had just gone, she stood on the platform and had taken a small purse from the handbag when she received a blow from behind on the right side of her face. As she turned round she received a further blow. She was thrown to the ground almost across the tram lines and the assailant continued to strike her on the head and also kicked her in the legs. Having taken the handbag, the assailant jumped over the station parapet and disappeared in the undergrowth.

Mrs. Begdon returned home and telephoned for the Police. Subsequently a party of detectives searched the vicinity and the accused was seen to emerge from the undergrowth and walk up to Peak Road. He was arrested and in his possession were a silver cigarette case, a powder compact, mirror and other articles, which were identified by the complainant as her property. She also recognized the accused as the assailant. The handbag was found in the undergrowth where the accused was first seen by the Chinese constable who arrested him.

**Many Injuries**  
Dr. J. W. Anderson gave evidence of finding Mrs. Begdon suffering from bruises under the right eye, left knee and forearm, and abrasions in both legs. The injuries were consistent with blows of a fist and a kick. Mrs. Begdon gave corroborative evidence.

In a statement from the dock, accused said that he went to see a relative working at Mountain Lodge and on the way back he picked up the articles on the road. He denied attacking complainant. Without retiring the jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty. Accused was sentenced to two years' hard labour and ordered to receive nine strokes of the cat.

## DANGEROUS DRUGS

Serious Charges

Before Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy this morning, Li Man, a 21-year-old spinster, was remanded for a further week on charges of possession of dangerous drugs. She was charged with possession of a quantity of cocaine hydrochloride in a flat in Fuk Wing Street. This morning, an additional charge of possession of a further 1 1/2 ounces of the same drug in a safe deposit box in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank was preferred against her.

**Hearing Fixed**  
Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. A. S. K. Lau, appeared for the defence, and asked for a date to be fixed for hearing. He also asked for a reduction in bail.

Reduction of the bail, fixed last week at \$10,000, was opposed by Revenue Officer Ah-ni, who prosecuted. The case was fixed for hearing on September 27 at 2.30 p.m.

## Berlin Says Goering Was In London Raid

Five Warnings Yesterday

Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, Sept. 16 (UP).—Goering himself is said in authoritative quarters in Berlin to have piloted a Junkers 88 type of bomber over London on Sunday night.

Reports say he was escorted by two Messerschmitt destroyer machines.

Goering is said to have declared after his return to headquarters in a small village in Normandy that he was most impressed by the effect of the bombing raids on London.

**Monday's Raid**  
A London message, referring to Monday's raids on Britain, says there was no sign of activity in the London area three hours after the fourth raid warning, except the infrequent back of anti-aircraft guns in the distance.

Hundreds of thousands of people tired of waiting in the shelters, began streaming homewards, the streets resembling the normal rush hour. The majority of houses were running picked to capacity and road traffic was quite normal.

During the early part of the raid, three bombs exploded in the London area. One, exploded in a residential area, was believed to have been hit.

**Bombs on Suburb**  
Bombs are reported to have hit a south-eastern suburb, one falling in a public shelter, and three high explosive bombs blocked the road near the cinema which had been evacuated as a precaution.

Elsewhere, another thoroughfare was damaged and several houses shattered. Simultaneously German raiders were reported over northwest and northeast coast towns.

**Tate Gallery Hit**  
A fifth air raid warning was sounded in the London area at 8.10 last night, says "Reuter". "Dumet" reveals that the famous Tate Gallery near Westminster was hit by a bomb during one of last week's raids.

The Tate Gallery is known the world over for its collection of famous paintings, and was presented to the nation by Sir Henry Tate in 1891.

**Churchill's Tribute**  
The exploits of the Fighter Command are praised by Mr. Winston Churchill, says "Reuter". The Prime Minister has sent the following message to the Fighter Command through the Air Minister:

"Yesterday eclipsed all previous records of the Fighter Command. Aided by a squadron of their Czech and Polish comrades, using only a small proportion of their total strength and under cloud conditions of some difficulty, they cut to rags and tatters three separate waves of murderous assault upon the civil population of their native land, inflicting an ascertained loss of 123 bombers and 53 fighters upon the enemy, not to say anything of probabilities and damaged, while themselves sustained only the loss of 12 pilots and 25 machines. These results exceed expectations and give

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## ROOSEVELT SIGNS CONSCRIPT BILL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter). — President Roosevelt at a brief ceremony at the White House signed the Burke-Wadsworth Conscription Bill whereby some 16,500,000 men between the ages of 21 and 35 become liable to military service.

In a proclamation accompanying the measure, President Roosevelt announced that the registration date will be October 10.

**President's Statement**  
Simultaneously the President issued the following statement: "America has adopted selective service in time of peace and in doing so has broadened and enriched our basic concept of citizenship. "Besides the clear democratic ideal of equal rights, equal privileges and equal opportunities, we set forth and underlying and other duties, obligations and responsibilities of equal service."

"In thus providing for national defence, we have not carved a new uncharted trail in history out of democratic institutions; we have merely reasserted an old accepted principle of democratic government."

The first contingent of 75,000 men will be in uniform about a month after the nationwide registration is completed. The subsequent quotas will be up in batches of 100,000 or 125,000 men to reach a total of 400,000 by January and 800,000 by spring.

The new law also provides for conscription of industry to the extent that Government may take over factories on a rental basis whenever it is considered necessary.

## 64 Survivors Landed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LISBON, Sept. 16 (UP). — The American Liner Exchorda to-day landed 64 survivors, the total crew of the British freighter Saint Agnes, which was torpedoed in the Atlantic on September 14 by a French submarine, which is believed to have been manned by a German crew.

## Successor To Late Rep. Bankhead

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter). — The House of Representatives today elected Representative Rayburn, of Texas, its Speaker in succession to the late Mr. William B. Bankhead. Speaker Bankhead to-day was given an impressive state funeral at present with members of the Cabinet, Congress and Supreme Court as well as Speaker Bankhead's actress daughter, Talullah Bankhead.

## Plane Which Bombed Palace Brought Down

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter). — The British sergeant pilot who shot down the German plane that bombed Buckingham Palace yesterday was on his first flight.

His formation was at 17,000 feet when they saw 30 Dorniers coming towards London, he said.

The Dornier he attacked took all that he had to give it. Bits fell off it broke away, intending to attack it again.

Black oil covered his windscreen as he made his second attack, but he believes that in fact he attacked a second machine.

A big flame shot up. This probably came from the petrol tank.

He made a head-on attack on another plane, firing straight into the cockpit. He saw what he at first thought to be a piece of the machine breaking away and then saw that it was a German bulleting out. Then he got into trouble himself. As he made his final attack, his right wing hit something with a terrific crack. He struggled free from his machine and eventually slid down a roof at Chelsea. He fell into a garden on his back.

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THE YEARLY REPORT of the Civil Service Cricket Club which will be presented at the annual general meeting on September 20 at 5.30 p.m., states a profit of \$3,381 for the past year. This, it will be seen, accrues entirely from the Bar account, which, through a re-assessment of prices, shows a balance of \$3,540 on the right side.

Membership on July 31 was 193, which was a loss of eight over that of last year.

Though the ground, together with others in the Colony, suffered somewhat through the heavy rains that have fallen during the year, the premises, indoor and outdoor, are in a satisfactory state of repair.

Sports activities were enjoyable, but not too successful. In the Snooker and Billiards leagues, the Club finished runners-up in the first named, and won the second.

Club prize winners were:  
Cricket  
1st XI—J. E. Richardson (batting) and M. Whitley (bowling)  
2nd XI—G. Ainslie (batting and bowling)  
Billiards  
Handicap—J. A. Bendall; runner-up, L. A. Collyer.  
Snooker  
Handicap—J. Hempey; runner-up, M. N. Rakusen.  
Bowls  
Championship—M. N. Rakusen; runner-up, L. A. Collyer.  
Singles Handicap—L. A. Collyer; runner-up, W. J. Burling.  
Doubles Handicap—H. E. Strange and M. N. Rakusen; runners-up, A. E. Shephard and F. S. Austin.  
Tennis  
Championship—E. Agafuroff; runner-up, W. J. Skinner.  
Singles Handicap—W. J. Skinner; runner-up, I. Agafuroff.  
Doubles Handicap—I. Agafuroff and D. Houldice; runners-up, J. A. Bendall and F. Haynes.  
Mixed Doubles—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Collyer; runners-up, C. Lucas and Mrs. W. J. Skinner.

## Airmen Beat Gunners With Miniature Rifles

An interesting competition was held at the R.A.F. Station, Kai Tak, on Sunday last between teams of the H.K. R.A.F. Sergeant's Mess Rifle Club and R.A.F. Rifle Club, in which each competitor shot with a .22 R.S.A. match rifle and a rifle "as issued" with 22 Morris tube.

The targets used were of the standard 25-yard 5-bull S.M.R.C. "higher end" pattern, ten rounds deliberate being fired at each card.

The following results were returned:

R. A. F.	Open	Peep	Sights	Alights
P. O. Gray	18	19	18	19
W. O. Toffson	54	58	54	58
Mr. Evans	78	82	78	82
Cpl. Perry	78	82	78	82
Cpl. Healey	78	82	78	82
Cpl. Gash	78	82	78	82
Total	446	471	446	471
	1,017			
G.M.S. Barman	34	38	34	38
Sgt. Bromley	50	54	50	54
Sgt. Sherrin	58	62	58	62
Sgt. Maione	53	57	53	57
Sgt. Lewis	53	57	53	57
Sgt. Williams	58	62	58	62
Total	274	401	274	401
	675			

## LATE NEWS

LONDON, Sept. 17 (Reuter). — Loud explosions echoed as a salvo of bombs fell on the fringe of the central London district last night.

"Door hopping" as a method of gradual progress through the streets of the city became very necessary in order to escape the remnants of the A.A. shells falling in the streets.

Some casualties were reported. Many families bombed out of their homes are not living in the capital—they merely shift around. The latest proposal is that they should find accommodation in empty houses in the city. Unoccupied houses and property there have already been earmarked for this purpose.

Some families are staying with friends or relatives while their homes are being repaired or time bombs threatening them have been dealt with.

BERLIN, Sept. 17 (Reuter). — Berlin had two air raid alarms early yesterday morning, but it is claimed that the raids failed. Villages to the west of German capital were bombed.

CHUNGKING, Sept. 17 (Reuter). — A general counter-offensive has started in Shansi, Hopei and Honan provinces, according to the Chinese military authorities. About 200,000 Chinese troops are participating.

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